

How to Survive Church Relationships

Surviving the Challenges of Life

James 2:1-13

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Yes indeed, it is good when you truly obey our Lord's royal command found in the Scriptures: "Love your neighbor as yourself." — James 2:8 NLT

The Principle: Acceptance

"my brethren, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism"

Common Areas of Discrimination (James 2:2-4)

- a. Appearance
- b. Ancestry
- c. Age
- d. Acheivement
- e. Affluence

The Problem: _____

Favoritism Is:

- a. Unchristian (Rom. 12:11; 1 Sam. 16:7; Acts 10:34)
- b. Unreasonable (James 2:5-7)
- c. Unloving (James 2:8-9; 1 John 4:20)

The Prescription: How to Treat People Right

- a. Accept Everyone (Rom. 15:7)
- b. Appreciate Everyone (Phil. 2:3-5)
- c. Affirm Everyone (1 Thess. 5:11)

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