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Worship Service
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JAMES: Real Faith, Real Life

Lesson Eleven • James 2:8-13
Overcoming Partiality

True Religion and Partiality

True religion overcomes PARTIALITY by fulfilling the Royal Law of love and showing the mercy of God.

Overcoming Partiality

1. FULFILL the Royal Law of Love Impartially!

The Royal Law

Partiality violates the ROYAL LAW of love and convicts us as lawbreakers.

Fulfilling the Royal Law

If you fulfill the law of love, you are doing WELL; but if you show partiality, you are committing SIN (vs. 8-9).

All or Nothing

If we break just ONE part of the law, we are guilty of breaking ALL the law (vs. 10-11).

2. SHOW the Mercy of God Mindfully!

The Mercy of God

Partiality defies the MERCY of God and brings the judgment of God.

Motivation to Show Mercy

- Be merciful to avoid JUDGMENT without mercy (vs. 11-12).
- Be merciful so you will receive MERCY from God (vs. 12).

Triumph of Mercy in Christ

In Christ, mercy triumphs over JUDGMENT.

Triumph of Mercy Over Partiality

Mercy triumphs over partiality when we LOVE all people.

But What If I Fail?

What if I break the royal law of love?
Does that mean I can forget about being in God's kingdom?
Yes, unless you are one of those people described in James 2:5.

*Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which He has promised to those who love Him?
James 2:5*