



GOING DEEPER AT HOME

MAY 8: VALUE

We all have favourites. We have our favourite food, leisure activity, vacation destination and the list goes on. We might even have a few favourite people. There is nothing wrong with any of that, but the danger arises when we begin to play favourites, when we begin to give special treatment to some and not others. James calls the early church out for their favoritism. As followers of Jesus, as people who are God's prized possession, we are invited to a different way of life, one that elevates everyone's value.

SCRIPTURE:

James 2:1 - 13

GOING DEEPER QUESTIONS:

1. Share something that is your favourite & why. What is the difference between something being your favourite and showing favoritism?
2. What is something from the message that stood out to you, was new to you or challenged you?
3. Have you ever shown favoritism to someone or have you been shown favoritism? Why do you think this happened?
4. Read verses 2 & 3. Suppose this scenario took place at Crossway next week. What do you think would happen? How would you treat these two people differently?
5. Often we show favoritism because we hope this person will make my life better, they become a means to an end. How does doing this devalue people?
6. Why do you think James so adamant about not showing favoritism? Is there no benefit to showing favoritism to someone who can make your life better?
7. What is the "royal law" James mentions in verse 8 & why does he call it that? How does showing favoritism break this law?
8. What do you think James is saying in verse 13? How does this fit with your understanding of God?
9. Who is someone the Holy Spirit is inviting you to elevate in value?