

Squaw Creek Baptist Church, Marion, IA.
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SERMON OUTLINE 3/21/10

BIBLE PASSAGE: *James 2:1-13*

TITLE: “SERVING WITH COMPASSION”

INTRODUCTION:

1. Faith in _____.
2. A person who is properly related to the _____ of God is also properly related to the _____ of Christ.
3. True _____ finds its outlet in _____.

PROPOSITION: Are you an example of the love of Christ to everyone that you come in contact with?

I. ACCEPT OTHERS. (*James 2:1-13*).

James was disappointed with their lack of compassion. He gives a condemnation for their attitude of favoritism and partiality and suggestions on how to combat this obstacle of spiritual maturity.

A. Courtesy To All. (*James 2:1-4*).

1. God shows no favoritism!
 - a. *Romans 2:11-13.*
 - b. *Ephesians 6:5-9.*
 - c. *Colossians 3:23-25.*
2. We as Christians should follow God’s example.

B. Compassion For All. (*James 2:5-9*).

Four Questions:

1. (*James 2:5-6a*)-Has not God chosen those who appear poor _____, but are rich _____, to inherit His promised kingdom?
 - a. *Matthew 5:3*.
2. Don't the rich oppress you? (*James 2:6b*).
3. Don't the rich drag you into the crowds? (*James 2:6b*)
4. Don't they blaspheme the noble name that you bear? (*James 2:7*).
 - a. The name of _____.

The answer is simple-Favoritism and Partiality are _____!

C. Consistency In All. (*James 2:10-13*).

1. "This does not make us _____!"
2. He compares it to _____ and _____.

CONCLUSION:

One of the tests of the reality of our faith is how we treat other people.
Can you pass the test?