

Sermon Notes – July 24, 2022

The Sin of Favoritism Part 1 (*James 2:1-4, 9*)

- I. The Examples to the Church. (*Vs. 1*)
 - A. The testimony of Jesus Christ, our glorious Lord.
 - 1. The examples of His story.
 - a. His birth: a manger.
 - b. His life: no place to lay His head.
 - c. His death: borrowed tomb.
 - 2. The witness of His enemies.
 - a. The Pharisees: Matthew 22:16; Luke 20:21
 - b. The Roman centurion: Matthew 27:24
 - B. The realization of Peter.
 - 1. There is no partiality with God: Acts 10:34,35
 - C. The statements of Paul.
 - 1. The Jew first and then the Greek: Romans 2 (*V. 11*) (*Deuteronomy 10:17,18*)
 - 2. Slaves and masters: Ephesians 6:5-9.
 - 3. He who has done wrong: Colossians 3:25.

- II. The Warnings to the Church. (*Vss. 2-4,9*)
 - A. Do not judge solely based on appearances.
 - 1. Gold ring and fine clothes.
 - B. Do not favor the wealthy over the poor.
 - 1. The wealthy man gets the seat.
 - 2. The poor man gets the floor, not even the footstool!
 - C. Do not ignore the motives of your judgement.
 - 1. Judging with vicious intent is sin.
 - 2. Judge with righteousness in mind. (*John 7:24*) (*Matthew 7:1-6*)