

Sermon Notes – July 31, 2022

The Sin of Favoritism Part 2 (*James 2:5-13*)

- I. Listen to the heartbeat of God. (*Vs. 5*)
 - A. God loves the poor and the weak.
 - 1. Widows and orphans.
 - B. God calls the foolish and the weak.
 - 1. So they will depend on God. (*I Corinthians 1:26-29*)
 - 2. So they will be rich in faith.

- II. Realize the blasphemy of the rich. (*Vss. 6,7*)
 - A. The wealthy Sadducees.
 - B. The unbelieving rich man.

- III. Practice fulfilling the royal law. (*Vss. 8-13*)
 - A. By obeying Scripture. (*2 Timothy 3:16,17*)
 - B. By obeying Jesus. (*Matthew 22:37-39*)
 - C. By living under the law of liberty.
 - 1. Free to please God.
 - a. Study to show yourself approved of God. (*2 Timothy 2:15*)
 - 2. Free to avoid bondage.
 - a. Christ has set us free. (*Galatians 5:1*)
 - 3. Free to show mercy.
 - a. Blessed are the merciful. (*Matthew 5:7*)