

Book of James

Theme: Faith loves

Scripture: James 1:27-2:1-13

Religion that is **pure** and **undefiled** before God the Father is this (no favoritism): to **visit** orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.

James 1:27

- Biblical religion leans toward the needy, not away from them.
- We cannot claim to love God, and treat people poorly.

If you really keep the **royal law** found in Scripture, “**Love your neighbor** as yourself,” you are doing right.

James 2:8

- We don't get a pass on one sin by pointing to the other good things we do. We're law breakers.
- Selective obedience to God's commands is actually total disobedience to the whole thing.

- Mercy rightly understood and received, is extended to all. Mercy defines the gospel.

Faith in Christ is not just about knowing the truths of the gospel, but about living them as well.

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