

9-showing partiality is a sin (the point of the passage)

But surely it isn't a big sin, like murder?

10-11 Yep

12 The Law of Liberty – living in the freedom Christ gives

13 A dire & scary warning

Application

Are we biased toward the rich?

Do you help perpetuate the advantage of the rich at the expense of the poor? (v.6)

Have we thought through all the implications of loving our neighbor as ourselves?

As there was anger of economic disparity, James teaches the church about visiting widows & orphans in distress and

Not dishonoring the poor.

V.12 How do you live & act under the Law of Liberty?

v. 13 Is mercy central to your life?

Living in Troubled Times

Part 3 – Indistinct

Introduction

James, pastor of the Jerusalem church

Time of increasing unrest & revolutionary passion due to economic & political powerlessness.

Are you looking to grow in or escape from the situations God puts you in?

Are you angry & envious or humble & looking to help others?

James 2:1-13

Historical Background

you could “sue _____” but not _____.

Roman law biased toward _____

Jewish law often sought to correct this

-both parties _____

-same _____ for court (v.3)

_____ proceedings (Jewish) held in the synagogues (where they _____)

Wealthy were still given _____, especially if you were “_____”

8-13 Is this a _____?

8-Love _____-ties the issue to the central command of God

Living in Troubled Times

Part 3 – Indistinct

Introduction

James, pastor of the Jerusalem church

Time of increasing unrest & revolutionary passion due to economic & political powerlessness.

Are you looking to grow in or escape from the situations God puts you in?

Are you angry & envious or humble & looking to help others?

James 2:1-13

Historical Background

you could “sue down” but not up.

Roman law biased toward rich

Jewish law often sought to correct this

-both parties stand up

-same clothes for court (v.3)

Legal proceedings (Jewish) held in the synagogues (where they worshiped)

Wealthy were still given special respect, especially if you were “fund raising”

8-13 Is this a big deal?

8-Love your neighbor-ties the issue to the central command of God

9-showing partiality is _____ (the point of the passage)

But surely it isn't a big sin, like _____?

10-11 _____

12 The Law of Liberty – living in the _____

Christ gives

13 A dire & _____

Application

Are we _____ toward the rich?

Do you help perpetuate _____ of the rich at the _____ of the poor? (v.6)

Have we thought through all the implications of loving our neighbor _____?

As there was _____ economic disparity,

James teaches the church about visiting widows & orphans in distress and

Not _____ the poor.

V.12 How do you _____ under the Law of Liberty?

v. 13 Is _____ central to your life?