



My brothers, as believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ, don't show favoritism.  
James 2:1

1. Favoritism is not simply treating people differently.

2. Favoritism is treating people differently based on superficiality not intrinsic merits.  
Favoritism is derived from two words "face or "mask" and "to take"- thus "to take on a surface level".

3. Partiality is to separate, make a distinction, discriminate, to prefer.

#### James 2:2-4

Suppose a man comes into your meeting wearing a gold ring and fine clothes, and a poor man in shabby clothes also comes in. If you show special attention to the man wearing fine clothes and say,


"Here's a good seat for you," but say to the poor man, "You stand there" or "Sit on the floor by my feet," have you not discriminated among yourselves and become judges with evil thoughts? James 2:2-4

#### 4. God does not show favoritism or partiality.

Then Peter replied, "I see very clearly that God doesn't show partiality. Acts 10:34


For God has no favorites who can get away with evil. Col. 3:25

...remember, you both have the same Master in heaven, and he has no



5. Favoritism & partiality do not respect the image of God in each person.

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