

But If you show favoritism, you sin and are convicted by the law as lawbreakers.

James 2:9 (NIV)

Rich and Poor

James 2:1-9

Bible Principles

"Everyone is welcome!" said the man as he opened the door to the expo hall. "Come on in!"

Many people had come to hear the special speakers and the hall was very full when the last two people arrived at the same time. One had stylish clothes, a big shiny ring and looked very rich. The other had old clothes and looked like he wasn't very wealthy at all.

One of the ushers came to help them and quickly gave the poor man a spot to stand in the back, while he took the rich man toward a seat in the front. When the man in charge saw that, he stopped the usher.

"Take them both to the front and give them the reserved seats. He can have my seat," said the man indicating the poor man in the back.

The Bible is very clear that we should treat people well for who they are not for what they have or don't have. God loves us all not because of how we dress or what we have. God blesses each person who looks for Him.

We should treat others without favoritism because of what they have. God loves us because of who we are to Him. We should treat others equally.

What did we discover?

1) Those who are rich are _____ people who are poor.

BETTER THAN EQUAL TO MORE IMPORTANT

2) We should treat people with the same _____

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4) I want others to treat me with _____

PREJUDICE EQUALITY ANGER

How can I treat people with equality?



I will treat everyone well.

God is kind and loving to me. I can be the same to others!



God, Help me treat others with equality.