

Series: DOERS

Title: Just Favorites

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1. Read this week's passage James 1:1, and 1:21-James 2:11.
2. Looking at 1:21-25, is it automatic that a believer will become a doer? If not, are there stages? Describe what has to happen for someone to become a doer?
3. What do we all have in common with Narcissus and The Fonz?



4. Self-deception is so easy to see in other people. What can we do to be aware of it in ourselves and to guard against an invisible problem?
5. Bob pointed out that that caring for widows and orphans sets the stage for the challenge the church constantly faces, favoritism. How does the Halo effect make us view others?
6. In what way is Jesus' way of living subversive back then and today as well? Please give Scripture (you're on your own for this one!).
7. What virtue did Jesus introduce to the world? How is that such a potent antidote to favoritism? Along this line how is Jesus glorious in this way?
8. What helps you keep your cool when you are around "important" people and what gives you grace when around annoying ones?

9. What perspective did Bob challenge us to use as we other believers and see people who are not Christians?
10. What does it mean in when Paul calls us to accept one another? Do we have to accept their opinions? How do we accept people we disagree with?
11. What stood out to you about the way Gerald Marvel accepted Willie and his friends?
12. Who are the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you could befriend? Who do you think you're overlooking and need your attention? Luke 14:13-14
13. What about the idea that God only has favorites? Can you see yourself and others as favorites?
14. Close by making James 2:8 your prayer to live out the royal law found in Scripture, 'Love your neighbor as yourself,' you are doing right."