

	<b>James 1:27-2:13</b>
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### Discussion Questions

- What does James say religion is about?
- Why do so many see religion as a negative thing?
- Why do so many struggle with the idea that Jesus / God makes demands of his people?
- What does James say we are to do?  
What does this look like?
- Why is it so easy to default to showing partiality, favouritism, discrimination?  
How do we do this?
- Pastor Mike said that when we do this “we dishonour God and reveal we don’t understand the gospel.”
- Why do we want to have a Lego movie philosophy:
  - Everything **is** awesome
  - Everything is **not** awesome
The 2<sup>nd</sup> statement is true, but that doesn’t mean that it is hopeless & bleak  
It gives God the openness to do what he wants.
- The **what is** don’t show partiality.
- The **why** is because it dishonours God & dishonours others.
- The **better way** is found in v8 *You If you really keep the royal law found in Scripture, “Love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing right.*
- James ends this section with “*Mercy triumphs over judgment*” **v13**  
What does this look like?S

### Key Passages

James 1:26- 2:13

1 Corinthians 1:26-31