

LIFE HACKS

FOR TOUGH TIMES & ROUGH RELATIONSHIPS

.....[A STUDY ON THE BOOK OF JAMES]

FEBRUARY 24

FAVORITISM

INTRODUCTION

Life hacks are free or inexpensive tips and tricks to make your life simpler and easier. The Bible is full of practical ways that we can improve our lives. This week, Pastor Michael shared how the lessons from the Book of James can help us to fight favoritism and grow in character.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Do you have any subconscious habits? (sleep walking/talking, biting nails, twirling hair, etc.)
2. Read **James 2:1-13**. How can you make yourself aware of people who are vulnerable?
3. If you could not identify an area of bias, do you think you are unbiased, or do you think you just can't see it because it is unconscious bias?
4. By "going to the back of the line", we will understand how we might have been showing favoritism and been unaware of our biases. What can you do to go to the back of the line in your life?
5. One of the ways that we can overcome bias is by intentional kindness and attention to others. The life hacks suggested included learning names, listening to stories, sharing possessions, and providing opportunities. Which one of these is the most challenging for you personally?

MOVING FORWARD

You fight favoritism (and grow in character) by giving VIP treatment to those more vulnerable than you. We tend to move to the front of the line, toward people like us or who have more than us. Pray that God will make us aware of this, and draw us to the end of the line, where we will find the vulnerable, and we will find Jesus there, every time.

CHANGING YOUR MIND

For God does not show favoritism. Romans 2:11