



“Faith That Works, Lives It Out”  
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## FAITH THAT WORKS...

I. Works because it \_\_\_\_\_ God’s  
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II. Is \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

III. \_\_\_\_\_ intently

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## Talk It Over

Faith That Works  
(Week 2) Group Study: James 2:1-13  
“Keeps the Royal Law”

### SMALL TALK

1. To what event (or kind of event) would you love to have “the best seat in the house”? Why that event?

### VIEWPOINT

2. **READ James 2:1-13.** James is writing to an economically depressed community. Why might favoritism be a problem in this setting? Can you think of a scenario where the temptation toward favoritism would be strong?
3. For what reasons does James oppose favoritism? (2:4-13) How much does the way we treat everyone really matter?
4. What is the “royal law”? (2:8) How does the law give “freedom”? (2:12-13, see 1:25, and Matthew 22:34-40; 7:12)

### GETTING PERSONAL

5. What is the person like who is easy for you to be welcoming and friendly toward? What does this say about you?
6. Is it easy or hard for you to be kind and caring to broken, hurting, marginalized, disenfranchised people? Why? What if they are prickly or angry? Why?

### MAKING PROGRESS (THIS WEEK)

7. How can you take steps this week from wherever you are to where “mercy triumphs over judgment”?