**Devotional: Showing Partiality** 

Christian Devotion on Accepting Others

Read: James 2:1-9 (NKJV)

My fellow believers, do not practice your faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ with an attitude of partiality [toward people—show no favouritism, no prejudice, no snobbery]. ( $\underline{v.1}$  AMP)

How often do we judge people by how they are packaged, so to speak?

Whether someone is rich and has the latest of everything, or whether someone is poor and struggling to afford the basic essentials, we are all loved equally by our Heavenly Father. If we are all part of the Body of Christ, no matter what background we come from, whether rich or poor, socially acceptable or social outcasts, well-educated or little education, there is one thing we all have in common, we have all been saved by the same thing—God's Grace!

God does not look at the outward. He is more concerned with our heart condition. There is no room for snobbery or prejudice in the kingdom of God. Romans 2:11 says, "For God shows no partiality [undue favour or unfairness; with Him one man is not different from another]."

We all need to pray that we will be able to see others through God's eyes—to see into their 'hearts' rather than focusing on the outward—and to accept all people from all walks of life. God Loves. Full Stop!

A renewal in which there is no [distinction between] Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, [nor between nations whether] barbarian or Scythian, [nor in status whether] slave or free, but Christ is all, and in all [so believers are equal in Christ, without distinction]. - Colossians 3:11 (AMP)

Help us, Lord, to open our eyes, To see others as you do And accept each other in Jesus name, As together, we worship you!

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