

# Faith Fixes Impaired Judgment

James 2:1-13

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As followers of Jesus, there is a litmus test that we can take privately that will let us know if our thinking is right. It will test our judgment.

- I. Claim jumpers never win (v 1)  
Faith is when Jesus has control of your heart strings.
  - a. The research tells the story.
  - b. When you claim to have faith in Jesus, you are saying that you have a strong conviction that Jesus is the Messiah, and He is your Lord.
  - c. James illustrates faith. (v2-4)
- II. Act in a way that is consistent with your new nature
  - a. God seems to be telling us over and over in His word that if we will take care of the poor, God will take care of us.
  - b. As born-again believers in the Lord Jesus Christ, we have a new nature.
  - c. James' readers must have recalled the treatment they had received from the Sadducees in Jerusalem.
- III. We need to recalibrate our judgment
  - a. There are people all around us of every tribe, tongue, people and nation
  - b.** Our willingness to roll up our sleeves and get involved in their lives starts by the way we see people. We must stop evaluating people and people groups through our homemade filters.