



## JOURNEY GROUP STUDY GUIDE – James: A Working Faith

### WEEK 3 - Sunday, October 5 – “Receive the Face?”

#### *CONNECT (table)*

1. Briefly describe a time when you felt unwelcome in a new environment. What did it feel like and how did you respond?

#### *LEARN from James 2:1-13 (text)*

1. Describe some ways in which we in the church show partiality today?
2. What is God's view of partiality? In what ways is favouritism "*judgement without mercy*" (vs. 13), and what kind of judgement will God bring on those who show partiality? Read also Leviticus 19:15-18 and 2 Corinthians 5:9-10.
3. According to James 2:8, what is "*the royal law found in Scripture*"? Why is showing partiality a violation of this law? Read Matthew 22:34-40.
4. What is God nudging you personally to do to become more accepting, appreciative, or affirming of others? What practical steps can you take to help others feel God's love and acceptance?

#### *SERVE (towel)*

Brainstorm ideas for a serving opportunity your entire group will do together during the "Here We Are: Week of Compassion" (October 26-November 2).