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# Today's Sermon

# The Lifting of Love

PASTOR MIKE YODER JAMES 2:1-13



**The Command** — *Favoritism Forbidden:* Preferential treatment has in the church. (2:1)

**The Example** — *Two Kinds of Attenders:* We are tempted to treat \_\_\_\_ better than \_\_\_\_\_ . (2:2–4)

**The Logic** — *Destiny & Character:* Those to whom we show favoritism are our .(2:5-7)

**The Verdict** — *The Law's Standard:* Favoritism is \_\_\_\_\_ and worthy of God's . (2:8–11)

The Warning — Mercy vs. Judgment: How you treat others will back to you. (2:12,13)

Believers are marked by their genuine honor for everyone, especially those who belong to Christ.

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Who are some individuals or groups to whom you might be tempted to show favoritism or to treat as inferior? Why them?

Why is favoritism in the Church of Jesus Christ such a contradiction? In what ways is it possible to affirm the equal value of all believers and yet wrongly treat some as inferior or less valuable?

We are inclined to excuse our favoritism (whether conscious or not) on the basis of all the other things we are doing well before God. How do verses 8–11 speak to that?

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# **Welcome to Grace**

**SUNDAY, MAY 2, 2021** 





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# This Week

# Coming Soon

### TODAY

Worship Services 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. • WC Auditorium & Online

Sunday Morning Groups 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. • MC 1-9 • GracePolaris.org/Groups

Grace Kids 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. • ECC & WC • GracePolaris.org/Kids

**The Training Program** 9:00 a.m. • MC 3 • GracePolaris.org/Training

Parent Commissioning Class 9:00 a.m. • MC 8

Operation WorldView 9:00 a.m. • MC 1 • GracePolaris.org/Operation

**The Legacy Journey** 10:45 a.m. • MC 7 • GracePolaris.org/Legacy

Grace Students Grades 5-6 10:45 a.m. • MC 5-6 • GracePolaris.org/Students Special Needs Classes 10:45 a.m. • MC 8-9 • For Teens & Adults with Special Needs

Ministry Update Call with Tom & MaryAnn Barlow 12:10 p.m. • MC 3-4 • The deadline to RSVP has passed.

Worthington Christian School Drop-In Reception 2:00-4:00 p.m. • Founders Plaza at the Tom Anglea Upper School Campus (1485 Lazelle Road in Westerville) Stop by this event to honor Troy McIntosh, Buzz Inboden, and Beth Heisey for their collective 95 years of service to Worthington Christian School!

Young Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m. • Outdoor Ponds

**Grace Groups** Today & Throughout the Week • GracePolaris.org/Groups

**30 Days of Prayer for Muslims** Today & Throughout the Week • GracePolaris.org/Prayer

### MONDAY

Men's Bible Study 10:00 a.m. • MC 3-4 • With Pastor Jim Custer

Right Start Bible Hour 7:00 p.m. • WC Auditorium • With Pastor Jim Custer

### TUESDAY

**VBS Registration Begins** To learn more and register, visit www.VacationBible.School. MOPS & MOMSnext 9:15 a.m. • MC • GracePolaris.org/MOPS

### WEDNESDAY

Grace Students presents "All-the-holidays-we've-missed-in-the-last-year" Party! 6:30 p.m. • Outdoor Ponds • All students in Grades 6–12 are invited! Wear green, pink, or a Halloween costume. Bring a \$5 White Elephant gift and a camping chair or blanket.

Awana Gathering Night 6:45 p.m. • MC • GracePolaris.org/Awana

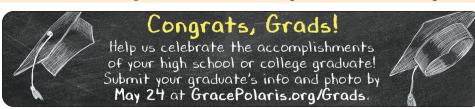
### THURSDAY

**Deadline: Register for How to Share the Gospel with the Nations** Register for just \$10 at GracePolaris.org/Nations or text "Nations" to 614-888-7733.

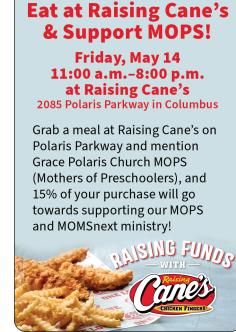
**H.E.L.P. Cancer Support Group** 6:30 p.m. • MC 8–9 • Are you or a loved one dealing with cancer? We invite you to join us for a time of hope, encouragement, love, and prayer with others who understand what you're experiencing.

### SATURDAY

**How to Share the Gospel with the Nations** 3:00 p.m. • MC 4 • See ad at right.









### **Grace Students:** The Book Club

Every Other Wednesday, June 2-July 28 at 6:30 p.m. Near the Outdoor Ponds

All students who have completed Grades 6-12 are invited to join our discussion of Rebecca McLaughlin's book 10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask (and Answer) About Christianity. This summer students will read the chapters in advance and gather every

other Wednesday in small groups to dive into questions from the book. Copies are available for purchase in the Resource Center.

RSVP by May 24 at GracePolaris.org/BookClub or Text "BookClub" to 614-888-7733

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