

God Shows No Partiality

A. It is a message that resonates throughout the New Testament:

1. "For God shows no partiality" (Rom 2:11)
2. "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34-35)
3. "There is no partiality with him" (Eph 6:5-9)
4. "There is no partiality" (Col 3:23-25)
5. "My brothers, show no partiality as you hold the faith in our Lord Jesus Christ" (James 2:1)

B. The question is, why? Why are we repeatedly reminded that God does not show partiality?

◆ He COULD Have Declared Only Certain Individuals Guilty of _____

- And yet, "there is no distinction: for all have sinned" (Rom 3:22-23)
- The stories of others are recorded for our learning and our warning (1 Cor 10:11-13)

◆ He COULD Have Provided a Savior for an _____ Group

- And yet, he "gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish" (John 3:16)
- The gospel is for all (Mark 16:15-16; 1 Tim 2:3-4; Titus 2:11; Rom 1:16; 1 John 2:1-2)

◆ He COULD Have Given Different _____ to Mankind

- And yet, the Scriptures make us "complete, equipped for every good work" (2 Tim 3:16-17)
- He "has granted to us" what we need for "life and godliness" (2 Pet 1:3; John 12:48)

◆ He COULD Have Outlined Different Conditions of _____

- And yet, there is not "another" gospel other than "the gospel of Christ" (Gal 1:6-9)
- A "common salvation" is enjoyed by those who have responded to "the faith" (Jude 3)

◆ He COULD Have Established Many Different _____

- And yet, his Son clearly promised, "I will build my church" (Matt 16:18)
- Just because something else exists does not mean God approves (Matt 15:13; 2 Cor 11:3)

◆ He COULD Eventually Reveal Himself as a Partial _____

- And yet, he has promised to "render to each one according to his works" (Rom 2:4-11)
- Let there be no doubt: our Creator is "not wishing that any should perish" (2 Pet 3:9-11)

MY NEXT STEP to modeling the character of the God who shows no partiality is...