

**The Ground is Level**  
**James 2:1-13 / February 22, 2026**  
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**OUR VIEW OF OTHERS**

- Utilitarian: resources vs obstacles
- Human scales

**OUR TEXT: JAMES 2:1-13 THE CONSISTENT COMMAND - NO FAVORITISM (v1)**

- Imago Dei - Gen 1:26-27
- Anger in Amos - Amos 2:6-7, Amos 4:1, Amos 5:11, Amos 5:21-24
- Anger in Jesus - "Den of Robbers" - Matt 21:12-13

**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (v5)**

- He has chosen the poor to be rich in faith.
- Matt 5:3, Matt 19:30, I Cor 1:27-29
- I Cor 12:9-10 - His power is made perfect in our weakness.

**SHEEP & GOATS - MATT 25:31-40**

- "The least of these"
- "I see Jesus in every human being. I say to myself, this is hungry Jesus, I must feed him. This is sick Jesus. This one has leprosy or gangrene; I must wash him and tend to him. I serve because I love Jesus." - Mother Theresa
- You. Did. It. For. Me.

**A SEVERE WARNING (v13)**

- Judgment without mercy
- Matt 6:14-15, Matt 7:1-2

*In your life, who is "less than" you?*