

Bible Never Said Series – Part 5

Message Summary: We all have this sense of fairness in us. When we perceive something being unfair, it often creates a strong emotional reaction in all of us. We all desire a level playing field. WHY? Because everyone desires fairness. In our longing for fairness, we carry this over into our understanding about God. We may say or think things like this: “God treats everyone the same”. BUT, is this entirely true? Does God treat everyone the same?

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God Treats Everyone the Same

1. God treats everyone the same relationally

- A. God loves everyone the same** Romans 5:8
- B. God forgives everyone the same** Ephesians 1:7
- C. God grants access to His throne to everyone the same** Hebrews 4:16
- D. God freely gives eternity to everyone the same** 1 John 5:11-12

2. God treats everyone different with responsibility

- A. We have been uniquely gifted** 1 Corinthians 12:4-6
- B. We have unique purposes** Ephesians 2:10
- C. We have unique accountability** Luke 12:48
- D. We will have unique rewards in eternity** 1 Corinthians 3:11-15

LIFEGROUP Questions

BEGIN IT (5min) – Open Prayer & Praise

OPEN IT (10min) – How do you feel about God treating everyone the same relationally but different when it comes to responsibility? How do you see this in your own experience following Jesus?

EXPLORE IT (60min) - Discussion Questions:

- 1. Discuss the four relational ways God treats everyone the same. What are some of the barriers to experiencing this?
- 2. Discuss the four ways God treats everyone different. How can a lack of understanding in this area become a barrier in our relationship with God?
- 3. What unique responsibility has God entrusted to you? (Marriage – parenting – school – influence – money – success – a ministry -)
- 4. Are there any **relational changes** or **responsibility changes** Jesus is prompting you to make?

APPLY IT (15min): Do you understand that your faithfulness in the responsibility God gives you now will be rewarded in eternity later? Will you live this life with an eternal perspective? Explain.