**James 2:1-13 Undivided Community**

Malaysian society

What about the Christian community?

“sign and foretaste of the kingdom” (Lesslie Newbigin)

One mark of a real Christian church:

**Kingdom people don’t show favouritism (v.1-4)**

Believers must be consistent with their beliefs

The glorious Jesus Christ, who laid aside his glory

A scenario

Two visitors

Two responses

Doesn’t happen in church?

Two boxes

Two reasons

1. **…for kingdom people know who God calls (v.5-7)**

God typically works by calling surprising people

God calls the dependent: 1 Cor. 1:26-27

God cannot work with the arrogant

Reverse discrimination?

1. **…for kingdom people live by kingdom standards (v.8-13)**

The King says: “Love your neighbour”

Neighbour or identical twin?

The words of a single Lawmaker

Mercy triumphs over judgement