TREATING OTHERS PROPERLY WHEN I AM STRESSED May 31, 2020

Deuteronomy 10:17-18

For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great God, mighty and awesome, who <u>shows no partiality</u> and accepts no bribes. He defends the cause of the fatherless and the widow, and loves the foreigner residing among you, giving them food and clothing. (NIV)

Sin of Partiality: Showing a positive bias of favoritism toward some people and a negative bias of prejudice against others.

1.	W	hy does God hate prejudice?
	•	Prejudice
		"From one man God made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live." Acts 17:26
	•	Prejudice
		"Whoever hates his brother is in the darkness and walks around in the darkness; he does not know where he is going, because the darkness has blinded him." 1 John 2:11
		"True wisdom from above is pure, peaceful, gentle, friendly, full of compassion and is free from prejudice." James 3:17
	•	Prejudice
		"The entire law is summed up in a single command: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' If you keep on biting and devouring each other, watch out or you will be destroyed by each other." Galatians 5:14-15
2.	Н	ow do we root out prejudice from our lives?
	•	We must learn
		"The Lord does not look at the things that man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." 1 Samuel 16:7
	•	God's plan to eradicate prejudice
		"So now you are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus. And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have been made like him. So there is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male or female. For

you are all Christians—one in Christ Jesus!" Galatians 3:26-28 (NLT)