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DEFINING DISCRIMINATION

In other posts tried to explain the sometimes necessity for "rational discrimination" based on behavior (empirical evidence) of the group in question. My concern here is the application of rational discrimination to area such employment or college admissions. When must people, any people, be treated as a group and when must they be treated as individuals?

As a general principle (James 3:9-10), Scripture teaches us to accept and respect and treat fairly each person as a person, when it is at all possible to do so. [There are times when transactions are impersonal or when crowds are involved.] Gender, age and "race" are included in who a person is. However, behavior of the group to which a person belongs is another matter. It is not essential to a being a person.

Discrimination, in the sense of rejecting or ostracizing any person solely on the basis of something essential to that person being a person, is unscriptural: to refuse to hire or promote someone because they are White males or Asian women is wrong.

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