



**KEEP  
CALM**

| LIFE IS COMPLICATED |

**CARRY  
ON**

Blessed is the man who remains steadfast under trial, for when he has stood the test he will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love Him. James 1:12

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## **The Complication of Judgment**

James 4:11-12

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### **James 4:11-12**

*Notes:*

Defamation: the communication of a false statement that harms the reputation of an individual, business, product, group, government, religion or nation. Most jurisdictions allow legal action to deter various kinds of defamation and retaliate against groundless criticism.

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**The Practice of \_\_\_\_\_**

*Your performance precedes my acceptance.*

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Where judgment reigns, relationships are ruined.

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## Colossians 3:21

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“Performance that precedes acceptance” is the concept that grinds and drives so much of relational maneuvering in our lives.

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## Matthew 7:1-4

**The Practice of \_\_\_\_\_**  
*My demand on you is more important than  
God’s demand on me.*

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## Matthew 22:37-40

## James 2:8

**The Practice of \_\_\_\_\_**  
*My gavel is bigger than God’s.*

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## Isaiah 14:13-14

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## Luke 18:9-13

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“The Christian faith is the only faith where God both makes and meets the demands.”

*“Man of Sorrows,” what a name  
For the Son of God who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim!  
Hallelujah! what a Savior!*

*Bearing shame and scoffing rude,  
In my place condemned He stood;  
Sealed my pardon with His blood;  
Hallelujah! what a Savior!*

—Philip Paul Bliss

## The Practice of \_\_\_\_\_

*Who are you to judge your neighbor?*

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## Job 1:8

## Job 42:7-8

"... he is a reckless man who deliberately infringes on the prerogatives of God."  
—William Barclay

*I stood on the street of a busy town,  
Watching men tearing a building down.  
With a "Ho, heave ho," and a lusty yell,  
They swung a beam and a side wall fell.*

*I asked the foreman of the crew,  
"Are those men as skilled as those you'd hire  
if you wanted to build?"  
"Ah, no," he said, "no indeed,  
Just common labor is all I need."*

*"I can tear down as much in a day or two,  
As would take skilled men  
a year to build and do."  
And then I thought as I went on my way,  
Just which of these two roles  
am I trying to play?*

*Have I walked life's road with care,  
Measuring each deed with rule and square?  
Or am I one of those who roam the town,  
Content with the labor of tearing it down?*

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