



**KEEP
CALM**

| LIFE IS COMPLICATED |

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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 Works

James 2:14-26

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Notes:

Faith is a key doctrine and a subject of importance in the Bible.

We are saved by faith	Eph. 2:8
We walk by faith	2 Cor. 5:7
God is pleased by faith	Heb. 11:6
What we do apart from faith is sin	Rom. 14:23

Notes:

James 2:14-18

Dissonance: Musically, it means lack of harmony. Practically, it means tension or clash resulting from the combination of two disharmonious or unsuitable elements.

Faith and Works

A Great _____?

Notes:

Romans 3:21-24, 27-28

Ephesians 2:8-9

Is this a biblical contradiction?
How do we bring resolution?

> They each spoke to a different

Notes:

“Justification is the act of God whereby He declares the believing sinner righteous on the basis of Christ’s finished work on the cross. It is not a process; it is an act. It is not something the sinner does; it is something God does for the sinner when he or she trusts Christ. It is a once-for-all event. It never changes.” —Warren Wiersbe

Notes:

James says, “The faith that works matters and faith that doesn’t work doesn’t matter.”

> They each spoke with different

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Matthew 7:16-20

> They each spoke with different

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Notes:

“[James and Paul] are not soldiers of different armies fighting against each other, but soldiers of the same army fighting back to back against enemies coming from opposite directions.”

—W.H. Griffith Thomas

An Inseparable _____!

Notes:

Beware of Emotional _____
(Feelings that don't translate into actions)

Notes:

Beware of Intellectual _____

Notes:

A Life-Changing _____

James 2:21-26

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The result of genuine faith is

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Notes:

“We are justified by faith alone, but faith that saves is not alone.” —Reformers

“Faith is belief with legs on it.” —Adrian Rogers

“by grace... through faith... for good works” (**Ephesians 2:8-10**)

“There is a belief which is not nominal, but real, so far as it goes, and yet is miserably defective, wholly ineffectual as regards our highest, our eternal interests. It is a bare assent to doctrines... the class of persons whose faith is of this kind... may be perfectly sound indeed great sticklers for orthodoxy. “They may range themselves on the side of evangelical principles and parties. They may even lead the van in condensing for the doctrines and institutions of religion. But the works of faith and labors of love are awaiting... O, my brethren, rest not for a moment in believing after that fashion! It is defective, it is worthless.” —John Adams

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