

How To Avoid Playing God (An Early AA Pamphlet)

- 1) Offer no advice unless it is asked.
- 2) Listen to other people's dreams and help them in the way they wish to be helped.
- 3) Encourage them to find their own strength.
- 4) Reserve judgment - AT ALL TIMES.
- 5) Admit that you don't know all the answers.
- 6) Build confidence in the other person until their own judgment becomes clear.
- 7) Have faith in the overall rightness of God's purpose in this world and the next.
- 8) Dwell on what is right instead of what is wrong.
- 9) Realize the core of Divine Being in each person. Respect it.
- 10) Never discount the other person's good intentions.

"God, I offer myself to Thee -- to build with me and to do with me as Thou wilt. RELIEVE ME OF THE BONDAGE OF SELF, that I may better do Thy will. Take away my difficulties, that victory over them may bear witness to those I would help of Thy Power, Thy Love, and Thy Way of life. May I do Thy will always!" - Big Book Third Step Prayer

"Great Spirit, may I not render judgment upon another until I have walked for one moon in their moccasins." - An Indian Prayer