

Victory over an Addiction to ALCOHOL

Is.61:8 Addictions pt. 7 (2/8-10/08)



Common Passions:

Escape from _____, Escape from _____, Feel _____! Prov. 23:29-30, 31:4-7

Call of God:

Lk. 1:15 He is NEVER to take wine or other fermented drink, & he will be FILLED with the Holy Spirit even from birth.

Eph. 5:18 Do NOT get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. INSTEAD, be filled with the Spirit.

"AA"

- 1. POWERLESS** over the **addiction** – For the _____ **of my life!----Abstinence**
- 2. Other People** - Encouragement & Accountability – 90 meetings in 90 days
- 3. Structure** / _____ – 12 steps



"AA" --- Alcoholics Anonymous 12 Steps

1. We admitted we were powerless over alcohol that our lives had become unmanageable

2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.

3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.

4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.

5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, & to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.

6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of CHARACTER.

7. Humbly ask Him to remove our shortcomings.

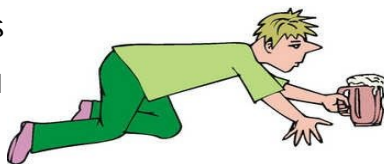
8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed & became willing to make amends to them all.

9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.

10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong PROMPTLY admitted it.

11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God, as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.

12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these Steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.



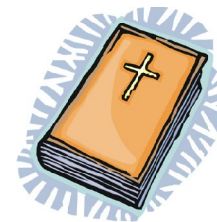
AC Came to believe that through Jesus Christ we could be restored to right relationship with God the Father, and subsequent sanity and stability in our lives.

"AC" -- Alcoholics for Christ Adaptations

AC Made the decision to turn from the things of the past and invite Jesus to be Lord and manager of our lives.



AC Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings and to forgive us - believing He would remove them - and receiving His forgiveness.



AC Sought through prayer and meditation on God's Word to increase our Fellowship with Him, praying continually for the knowledge of His will for us and the power of His might to accomplish it.

AC Having been spiritually restored and set free from "the sin which does easily beset us," we attempt to share this freedom and so the One who has freed us with those who still suffer, and practice the Lord's principals in all our affairs.