Open Share Small Group Discussion Worksheet

Give ...to hand over to another freely

Step 12: Having had a spiritual experience as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to others, and practice these principles in all our affairs.

Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted. Galatians 6:1

Principle 8: Yield myself to God to be used to bring this Good News to others, both by my example and by my words.

"Happy are those who are persecuted because they do what God requires.

Note to the Newcomer: Open Share Small Groups allow us to grow closer to one another through sharing our hurts, habits & hang-ups and the tools we use to overcome them. When we go around the room, feel free to share on tonight's topic or say pass and just listen. In order to start the recovery process on a solid foundation we suggest that you:
1. Make a commitment to attend the large group and small group time regularly 2. Start looking for someone that you connect with that you can ask to be your sponsor or accountability partner. These people will be able to assist you on your journey and will become part of your accountability team. 3. Begin working and applying the recovery principles. found in the CR Participant's Guides and the Bible. 4. Set a personal goal to become involved in a step study group.

That does it mean to GIVE? (for more on this topic see Lesson #23 in CR Partipant Guide #4)

<u>**G**</u>od first - By placing God first in your life, you will realize that everything you have is a gift from Him. <u>**L**</u>becomes we - The Road to Recovery is no meant to be traveled alone.

<u>V</u>ictories shared - God never wastes a hurt. It gives us opportunity to share our personal victories. <u>Example of your actions - Shows sincerity of our commitment to the Lord, to the program and to them.</u>

"You can't keep it unless you give it away!" - That's Principle 8

LARGE GROUP REFLECTION:

Did the Speaker or Lesson uncover a new area that I need to take a look at? I could relate to the Speaker or Lesson in the following ways: _____

OPEN SHARE SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- 1. What are some of my victories that I can share with a newcomer?
- 2. In the paradox, "We can't keep it unless we give it away", what is the "it" in my life?
- 3. Is God first in my life?
- 4. Am I traveling the Road to Recovery alone or with an accountability team? Am I growing?
- 5. Why do I have difficulty being a Christian in recovery every hour of every day?
- 6. What are some of the gifts that I have received from God?
- 7. What gifts do I pass on to others?

SMALL GROUP PRAYER REQUESTS:

(please pray for your small group during the week - use your phone list and make some calls)

PRAYER: Dear God, I pray that

Verses to Study:

Matthew 10:8 Matthew 22:37-39 Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 2 Corinthians 1:3 1 John 3:18 Luke 8:16-18

RECOVERY THERMOMETER:

MY PERSONAL RECOVERY GOAL FOR THIS WEEK:

ANY REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK?