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Open Share Small Group Discussion Worksheet

Victory

...a defeat of an enemy

Step 6: We were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

"Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up." James 4:10

Step 7: We humbly asked Him to remove all our shortcomings

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:0

Principle 5: Voluntarily submit to every change God wants to make in my life and humbly ask him to remove my character defects.

"Happy are those whose greatest desire is to 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.

How can we have **VICTORY** over our defects of character?

Voluntarily submit - We humbly ask God to remove our shortcomings.

<u>Identify character defects</u> - Identify what we want to work on first, those that are causing the most pain.

<u>Change your mind</u> - Allow God to transforms us by renewing our minds.

Turn over character defects - Give up relying on my own willpower that blocks my recovery.

One day at a time - Our lifelong hurts, habits and hang-ups need to be worked on in 24 hour increments.

Recovery is a process - We begin a journey that will lead us to a new freedom from our past.

You must choose to change - Ask for help to change our hurts, habits and hang-ups requires humility.

LARGE GROUP REFLECTION:

OPEN SHARE SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION STARTERS:

- 1. What does humility mean to me?
- 2. How does being humble allow me to change?
- 3. Which character defect is causing me the most pain today? What can I do about it?
- 4. In what areas of my life do I display willpower?
- 5. Is the one day at a time concept difficult for me to live by?
- 6. What changes or insights have come to me over time that have given me comfort?
- 7. Do I have the patience to wait on God? Why or why not?
- 8. What am I willing to do to recover from my hurts, habits and hang-ups?

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ANY REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK?