Dear God, we would like to thank you for this beautiful day, this gracious opportunity, the wonderful life that you have given us and for a dynamic program to live by. Please be with us in this project to reveal our knowledge of your will and what we are about to do. We pray that this will bring understanding of you to others who suffer as we have suffered.

Amen

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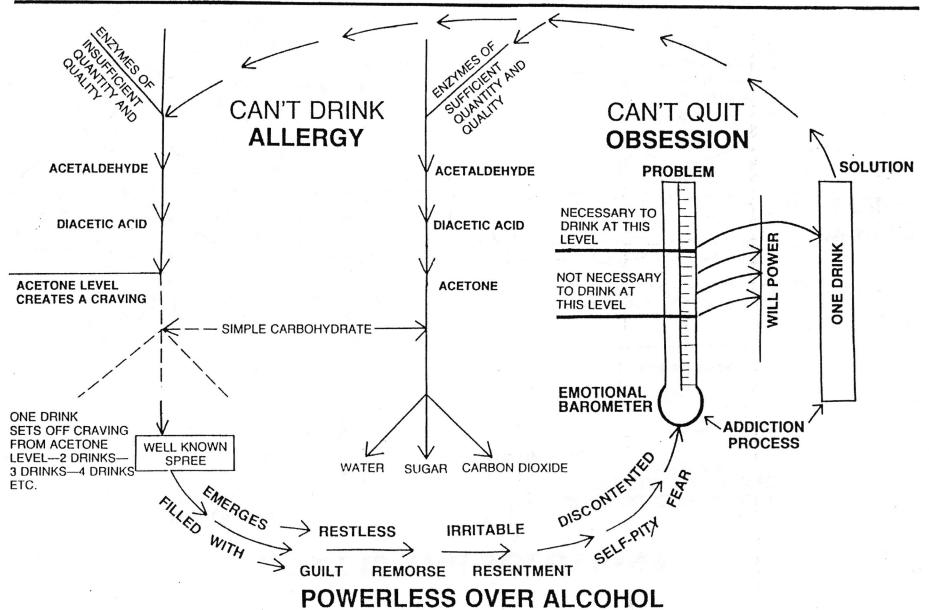
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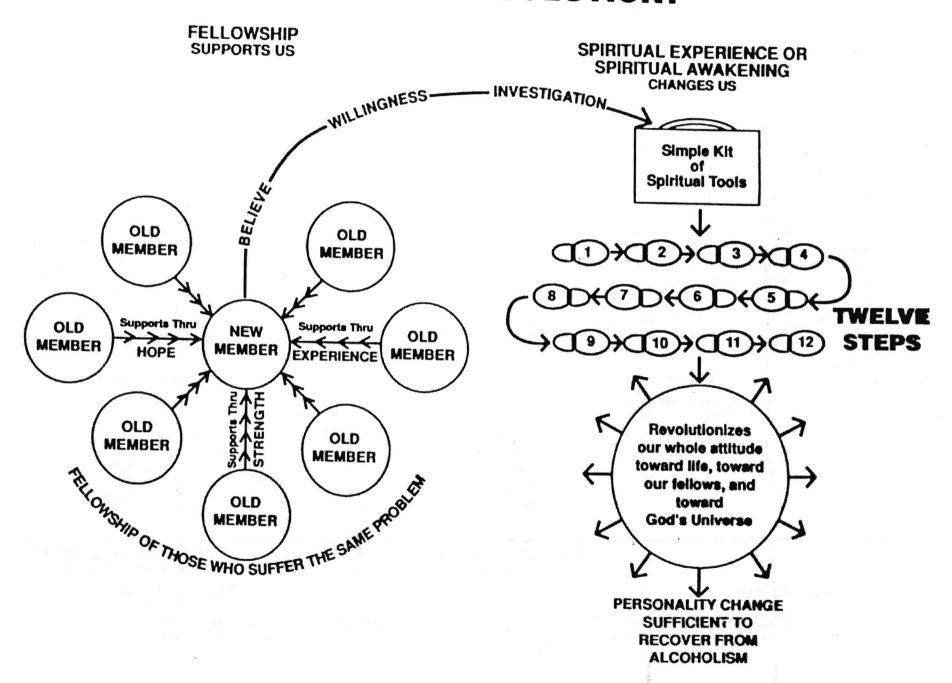
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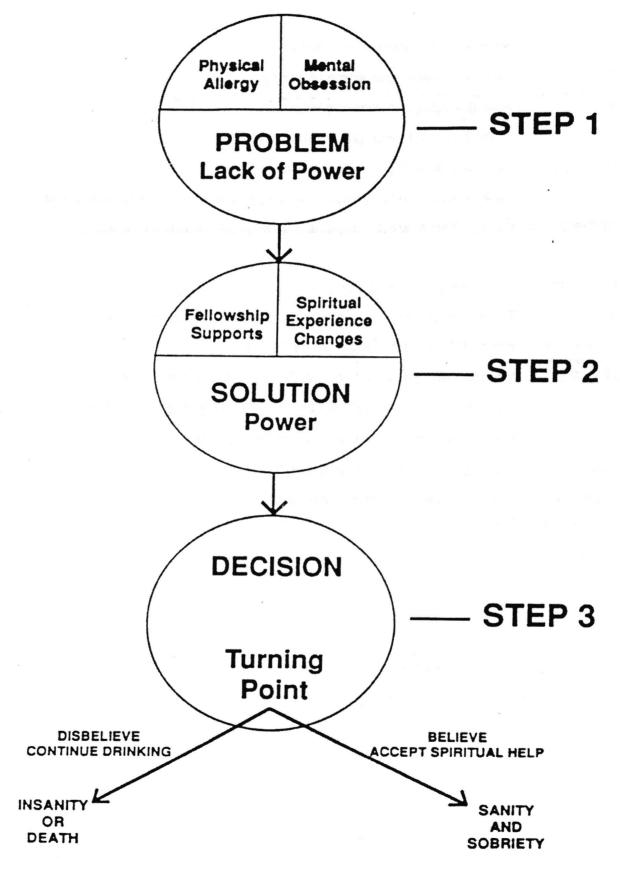
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# WHAT IS THE SOLUTION?



#### **ROAD CHART TO DECISION**



#### GLOSSARY OF WORDS USED IN STEPS FOUR AND FIVE

EXACT

- Very accurate, methodical, correct

NATURE

- The essential characteristic of a thing

WRONG

- Acting, judging, or believing incorrectly

FAULT

- Something done wrongly, an error or mistake

MISTAKE

- To understand or perceive wrongly

DEFECT

- Lack of something necessary for completeness -- Same as shortcoming

SHORTCOMING

- Falling short of what is expected or required -- Same as defect

SELF-CENTERED

- Occupied or concerned only with one's own affairs -- Same as selfish

SELFISH

- Too much concern with one's own welfare or interests and having little or no

concern for others -- Same as self-centered

SELF-SEEKER

- A person who seeks only or mainly to further his own interests

DISHONEST

- The act or practice of telling a lie, or of cheating, deceiving, stealing, etc.

FEAR

- A feeling of anxiety, agitation, uneasiness, apprehension, etc.

FRIGHTENED

- A temporary or continual state of fear

INCONSIDERATE - Without though or consideration of others

#### BASIC INSTINCTS OF LIFE WHICH CREATE SELF

COMPANIONSHIP-Wanting to belong or to be accepted  PRESTIGE-Wanting to be recognized, or to be accepted as a leader.  SELF-ESTEEM-What we think of ourselves, high or low.  PRIDE-An excessive and unjustified opinion of oneself, either positive (self-love) or negative (self-hate).  PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS-Our relations with other human beings and the world around us.  AMBITIONS-Our plans to gain acceptance, power, recognition, prestige, etc.  MATERIAL-Wanting money, buildings, property, clothing, etc. in order to be secure in the future.  EMOTIONAL-Based upon our needs for another person or persons. Some tend to dominate, some are overly dependent on others.  AMBITIONS-Our plans to gain material wealth, or to dominate, or to depend lives either acceptal lives either acceptal.  SELF  RESENTMENTS  FEAR  HARM OR HI	SOCIAL INSTINCT	SECURITY INSTINCT	SEX INSTINCT
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# STEP 4 INVENTORY COMPARISON

STOCK-IN-TRADE <-> OURSELVES

BUSINESS		PERSONAL	
	••		
FACT-FINDING	< <b>-&gt;</b>	SEARCHING	
FACT-FACING	< <b>-</b> >	FEARLESS	
TRUTH	< <b>-</b> >	MORAL	

## **OBJECT:**

DISCLOSE		FIND	FLAWED
DAMAGED OR	< <b>-</b> >	THINE	KING
UNSALABLE		PROCE	ESSES
GOODS			

GET RID OF	GET RID OF
THEM PROMPTLY <->	THEM PROMPTLY
WITHOUT REGRET!	WITHOUT REGRET!

STOCK IN TRADE	1.	RESENTMENT
THAT IS <	<b>-&gt; 2.</b>	FEAR
DAMAGED	3.	HARMS DONE
		TO OTHERS

# REVIEW OF RESENTMENTS

COLUMNS	WHERE HAD I BEEN: "Selfish" "Dishonest" "Self. Seeking and frightened" "Inconsiderate"? Which of the above character, defects caused me to do wh, ir I did, or cause me to want to hold on to the old resentment, even though I may have done nothing to cause it?		
COLUMNA	WHATDID I DO? Puting out of mind the wrongs others have done. I resolutely look for my own mistakes. What did I do. if anything. to set in motion trains of circumstances, which in turn caused people or institutions to hurt me and eventually led to my resentment of them for doing so?		
COLUMN3	AFFECTS MY: On my grudge ist I set opposite each name my injuries. Was it my self-esteem, my security, my ambitions, my personal, or sex relations which had been interfered with?		
COLUMN2	THE CAUSE: I ask myself why I am angry, what did they do to me to cause the anger?		
COLUMN 1	I AM RESENTFUL AT: I list people, institutions or principles with whom I am angry.		

#### REVIEW OF FEARS

COLUMN 1	COLUMN2	, COLUMN3	COLUMN4	COLUMN 5	
WHO OR WHAT DO I FEAR: I list people, institutions or principles that I fear.	THE CAUSE: What are they going to do to me? Am I perhaps going to jail? Am I going to lose something with material value? Am I going to lose face? Will it result in divorce? Will it destroy a personal relationship? Might I lose my job, etc.?	AFFECTS MY:  On my lears list I set opposite each name the part of self which is affected. Is it my self-esteem, my security, my ambitions, my personal, or sex relations that have been threatened?	WHATDID I DO? What did I do, if anything, to set the ball rolling, and set in motion trains of circumstances, which have led to my being in the position to have the fear?	WHERE HAD I BEEN: "Selfish" "Dishonest" "Self-Seeking and frightened" "Inconsiderate"? Which of the above character defects caused me to do wt. 1 did, or cause me to want to hold on to the old fear, even though I may have done nothing to cause it?	
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REVIEW OF MY OWN SEX CONDUCT

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COLUMNA	WHAT FEELINGS DID I CREATE IN "S"  OTHERS? "Subjective of the series of		-		y = 40
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#### REVIEW OF HARMS OTHER THAN SEXUAL

COLUMN 1	COLUMN2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5		
WHO DID I HURT:	Which part of sell caused me to do what I did? Was it caused by the social instinct, the security instinct, or the sex instinct?		t. Did arouse jealousy suspicion bitterness	WHERE HAD I BEEN: "Selfish" "Dishonest" "Self-Seeking and frightened" "Inconsiderate"? Which of the above character defects caused me to do what I do to harm another?		
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#### **DAILY INVENTORY**

When we retire at night, we constructively review our day. Were we resentful, selfish, dishonest or afraid?

PERSONALITY CHARACTERISTICS OF SELF-WILL			PERSONALITY CHARACTERISTICS OF GOD'S WILL	
SELFISH AND SELF SEEKING	. 0	0	INTEREST IN OTHERS	
DISHONESTY		۵	HONESTY	
FRIGHTENED			COURAGE	
INCONSIDERATE			CONSIDERATE	
PRIDE			HUMILITY-SEEKING GOD'S WILL	
GREEDY	0		GIVING OR SHARING	
LUSTFUL	٥		WHAT CAN WE DO FOR OTHERS	
ANGER	۵	. 0	CALM	
EN√Y	0	0	GRATEFUL	
SLOTH		۵	TAKE ACTION	
GLUTTONY			MODERATION	i
IMPATIENT	0		PATIENCE	
INTOLERANT	0		TOLERANCE	
RESENTMENT		0	FORGIVENESS	
HATE	.0		LOVE-CONCERN FOR OTHERS	
HARMFUL ACTS			GOOD DEEDS	
SELF-PITY		0	SELF-FORGETFULNESS	
SEÙI -JUSTIFICATION			HUMILITY-SEEK GOD'S WILL	
SELF-IMPORTANCE	0	0	MODESTY	
SELF-CONDEMNATION	О	П	SELF-FORGIVENESS	

TRUST

**FAITH** 

SUSPICION

DOUBT