

TURNING POINT – THURSDAY 6:30PM OPEN AA APPROVED LITERATURE DISCUSSION – 12 & 12

We would like to welcome everyone here to our **THURSDAY NIGHT OPEN MEETING** of Alcoholics Anonymous. We would like to begin with a moment of silence to think about the alcoholic who is still suffering inside & outside of these rooms. And, for those who would like to join us, we will follow with the Serenity Prayer.

SERENITY PRAYER – “God, grant me the serenity, to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and the wisdom to know the difference.”

PREAMBLE - “Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of men and women who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.”

MEETING SEQUENCE

1. Are there any AA related announcements?
2. Is there anyone here for their very first AA meeting ever? Are there any visitors who wish to be recognized? Will all who are available to be a sponsor, please raise your hand?
3. As a reminder, we have a Newcomer’s Meeting on Monday at 7:00pm. If you are new in sobriety we encourage you to attend.
4. We will now go around the room and introduce ourselves by first name and sobriety date.
5. Will a friend please do the chip procedure?
6. I’ve asked _____ (a friend) to read “How it Works” from pages 58-60 in the Big Book.
7. I’ve asked _____ (a friend) to read the “12 Traditions” short form.
8. This is an OPEN AA Approved Literature Meeting based on the TWELVE STEPS & TWELVE TRADITIONS . You may read and share, or read and pass, or you may share on what someone else reads. The last Thursday of the month we read the Tradition of the Month. We are on page _____.
9. 15 minutes before the end of the meeting, pass the basket.

CLOSING

10. “We are self-supporting through our own contributions, and have passed the basket in accordance with the 7th Tradition. The opinions expressed here are strictly of those who shared them and no one here speaks for AA as a whole. Every member is free to interpret the AA program in his or her own terms. Remember, we feel free to share our hearts and minds, as long as who we see here, and what we hear here, when we leave here, let it stay here.”
11. I’ve asked _____ (a friend) to read the last two paragraphs from “A Vision for You” on page 164 in the Big Book.
12. Thank you to all who participated in sharing and welcome to all newcomers and visitors. Thanks to those who are in service to this meeting and to our Turning Point Group. Please help greet all newcomers and clean up after our meeting. (Ask for help, if wanted).
13. We will now close the meeting with “The Lord’s Prayer”.