

**HAVING AN ADDICTION DOES NOT MAKE A PERSON WEAK OR SINFUL, JUST ENSLAVED.**

**Christian recovery provides:**

- a refuge
- a place of belonging
- a place to share
- a place to help others

**a safe place to share**

- respect is given to each member
- confidentiality is highly regarded
- a place to take off your mask and let others know who you are
- a place for healthy challenges and healthy risks

**and hope**

- a place to grow and become strong
- a place to realign your life in the Holy Spirit
- a turning point for life



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# 12 Steps for Christians



**"Indeed, in our hearts we felt the sentence of death. But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead."**

*2 Corinthians 1:9*

A Ministry of *Friendship Church*

# Our Mission

**...IS TO HELP PEOPLE GOING THROUGH DIFFICULT LIFE EXPERIENCES DISCERN GOD'S TRUTH THROUGH HIS WORD, THE HOLY SPIRIT AND PRAYER SO THEY CAN WALK IN THE FULLNESS OF CHRIST.**

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"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord; and He delighteth in his way."

*Psalm 37:23*

1. We admitted we were powerless over the effects of our separation from God - 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.
4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. Were entirely ready to have God remove these defects of character.
7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
9. Made direct amends to such people whenever 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 others and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

## Christian Recovery

Addiction is one of the most painful experiences anyone can have - no matter what subject. Many Christians experience internal conflict that surfaces in an increased feeling of guilt - between knowing what is right, what the Bible says is right, and behavior that we know is wrong for us, but cannot control. Christian recovery is about releasing the grip of addiction and renewing faith in God.

- Christian recovery can realign life in the Holy Spirit.
- Christian recovery can show you how to live the life God wants for you.
- Christian recovery helps confess the pain and frustration to God.

## Let Go and Let God

Be filled with faith, hope, and love that only God can provide through Christ.

## Christ Helping People Through People

We welcome all who seek recovery through Christ. It may be difficult at first, but you can be filled with faith, hope, and love that God provides through Christ.

- New Believers who struggle with past hurts, old habits, and the consequences of behaviors forgiven, but not forgotten.
- Christian visitors who are familiar with 12-step recovery programs, but are looking for other Christians who name Jesus Christ as their High Power.
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