## **Emotional Sobriety Worksheets**

Free Yourself from Addiction Quitting drugs may be the best thing you can do for yourself and your loved ones. But it can also be the toughest challenge of your life. This book can help. Jerry Dorsman, author of the acclaimed How to Quit Drinking Without AA and a respected therapist who specializes in addiction recovery, has helped thousands of people quit drugs and get on with their lives. In How to Quit Drugs for Good, Dorsman helps you find the best approach to beating any drug habit—from barbiturates and prescription drugs to marijuana, cocaine, and heroin. Through a series of self-discovery exercises, worksheets, and checklists, you will learn how to: •Determine if you have a drug problem •Examine your individual reasons for using drugs •Decide when and how you want to quit •Develop your own treatment plan •Choose the techniques that will work for you •Create your own success •And much, much more!

This study is the first national, multi-site trial of patient-treatment matching. Describes cognitive-behavioral coping skills therapy (CBT), one type of treatment approach. Core Sessions include coping with cravings and urges to drink; problem solving; drink refusal skills, and more. Elective Sessions include starting conversations; introduction to assertiveness; anger management; job-seeking skills, and much more. Bibliography.

Seventeen years ago, lam was on the verge of either dying or being locked up for a very long time. Instead, he became a very active member of AA and has stayed in the middle of AA ever since and has been sponsoring new members for over sixteen years. He loves AA so much that other members laugh when they hear him sing his favorite jingle: I am stuck on AA, cause AAs stuck on me! Today, Iam lives in southwest Florida with his wonderful Al Anon wife and their happy seven-year-old daughter and delightful eight-month-old baby boy, Iam Junior.

Some people get sober but stay stuck. Even after the addictive substances or behaviors recede into our pasts, many of us still suffer. Renowned recovery expert Dr. Allen Berger helps us learn to experience, respect, and modulate our emotional reactions to achieve true serenity and peace of mind. Sobriety can be the foundation for growth, but only if we are willing to explore what lies beyond the basics of physical sobriety. The quality of our ongoing recovery will be determined by how we learn to respond to the problems or challenges in our lives—even the basic emotional discomforts and dislocations that arise day-to-day. Developed to help those in recovery find continuing success, 12 Essential Insights for Emotional Sobriety gives us a framework for understanding successive stages of recovery, as well as a guide toward emotional maturity, authentic humility, and deep joy in living. Rooted in the insights and vision of the founders of Alcoholics Anonymous, this book is also informed by the author's scientific wisdom, personal experience, and decades of clinical treatment of addiction. 12 Essential Insights gives us a fresh take on mature sobriety.

In its second edition, Helping Clients Forgive, now retitled Forgiveness Therapy, benefits from more than a decade of new research into the innovative and growing field of forgiveness therapy. Forgiveness has been found to be a pivotal process in helping clients resolve anger over betrayals, relieve depression and anxiety, and restore peace of mind. For 30 years, the authors have pioneered these techniques, and here explain the process of forgiveness in psychotherapy in a way that can be applied by clinicians regardless of their theoretical orientation. With brand new chapters, studies, and models, clinicians will learn how to recognize when forgiveness is an appropriate client goal, how to introduce and explain to clients what forgiveness is and is not, and provide concrete methods to work forgiveness into therapy with individuals, couples and families. This comprehensive volume provides all of the latest research in the roles that anger and forgiveness play in specific emotional disorders and features clinical examples of work with individuals. With 365 days of guidance, inspiration, and journaling, you can stay positive all year--and become the best possible you! Using science-backed research and positive psychology, this five-minutes-a-day journal offers motivational tips, prompts, and exercises to guide you to long-term happiness and fulfillment. Learn how to mindfully savor the moments, build

A special selection of photocopiable blob pictures designed for work on feelings. Arranged into four sections, the contents include: Blob Theory - Blob trees the id/ego/superego, needs, shadows | Emotions - anger, anger cycle, calm, depression, disappointed, happy, hate, hyper, jealousy, lonely, mixed-up, numb, paranoia, rejection, sad, trauma, worry | Developmental/issues - bridge, clouds, doors, feelings, holes, pit, pitch, stairs, families, home. Each picture is accompanied by ideas and questions to kick start class, group or one-to-one discussion. Complete book included on accompanying CD Rom.

friendships and confidence, handle challenges and emotions, and realize your personal potential.

Herb K., who is also the author of "Twelve Step Guide to Using the Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book", continues sharing his insights to the Twelve Steps by explaining the how and why, using his own experience along with traditional and universal spiritual wisdom. This book illuminates a path from the dark world of alcoholism and brokenness to a life of peace, purpose and fulfillment. Herb K. leads Twelve Step workshops, retreats and teaches spirituality and recovery throughout the U.S. and the world.

Explains the twelve steps of Overeaters Anonymous, its program of recovery for food addiction, and the twelve traditions, the principles that guide its groups and services.

"A classic. Read it. Use it. It can help guide you step by step into the bright light of the world of recovery." —from the Foreword by Harry Haroutunian, M.D., Physician Director, Betty Ford Center "The Recovery Book is the Bible of recovery. Everything you need to know you will find in here." —Neil Scott, host, Recovery Coast to Coast radio Hope, support, and a clear road map for people with drug or alcohol addiction. Announcing a completely revised and updated second edition of The Recovery Book, the Bible of addiction recovery. The Recovery Book provides a direct and easy-to-follow road map to every step in the recovery process, from the momentous decision to quit to the emotional, physical, and spiritual issues that arise along the way. Its comprehensive and effective advice speaks to people with addiction, their loved ones, and addiction professionals who need a proven, trusted resource and a supportive voice. The new edition of The Recovery Book features the revolutionary Recovery Zone System, which divides a life in recovery into three chronological zones and provides guidance on exactly what to do in each zone. First is the Red Zone, where the reader is encouraged to stop everything, activate their recovery and save their life. Next is the Yellow Zone, where the reader can begin to rebuild a life that was torn apart by addiction. Finally, the reader reaches the

Green Zone, where he can enjoy a life a recovery and help others. Readers also learn how to use the Recovery Zone ReCheck, a simple, yet very effective relapse prevention tool. The Recovery Zone System works hand-in-hand with the 12-step philosophy and all other recovery methods. In addition, The Recovery Book covers new knowledge about addiction mechanisms and neuroplasticity, explaining how alcohol and drugs alter the brain. The authors outline a simple daily practice, called TAMERS, that helps people to use those same processes to "remold their brains" around recovery, eventually making sobriety a routine way of life. Written by Al J. Mooney, M.D., a recovery activist who speaks internationally on recovery, and health journalists Catherine Dold and Howard Eisenberg. The Recovery Book covers all the latest in addiction science and recovery methods. In 26 chapters and over 600 pages, The Recovery Book tackles issues such as: Committing to Recovery: Identifying and accepting the problem; deciding to get sober. Treatment Options: Extensive information on all current options, and how to choose a program. AA and other 12-Step Fellowships: How to get involved in a mutual-support group and what it can do for you. Addiction Science and Neuroplasticity: How alcohol and drugs alter pathways in the brain, and how to use the same processes to remold the brain around recovery. Relapse Prevention: The Recovery Zone ReCheck, a simple new technique to anticipate and avoid relapses. Rebuilding Your Life: How to handle relationships, socializing, work, education, and finances. Physical and Mental Health: Tips for getting healthy; how to handle common ailments. Pain Control: How to deal with pain in recovery; how to avoid a relapse if you need pain control for surgery or emergency care. Family and Friends: How you can help a loved one with addiction, and how you can help yourself. Raising Substance-Free Kids: How to "addiction-proof" your child. The Epidemic of Prescription Drugs: Now a bigger problem than illegal drugs. Dr. Al J. Mooney has been helping alcoholics and addicts get their lives back for more than thirty years, using both his professional and personal experiences at his family's treatment center, Willingway, and most recently through his work as medical director for The Healing Place of Wake County (NC), a homeless shelter. The Recovery Book will help millions gain control of their mind, their body, their life, and their happiness. www.TheRecoveryBook.com

Provides a detailed explanation of the Twelve-Step program designed by Alcoholics Anonymous, accompanied by advice on how to apply the program to codependent issues and cross-addiction

Finally! The book that thousands of alcoholics have been waiting for! An updated version of the "Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous." This edited revision of the old, basic text is reader-friendly and carries the exact same message as the 1939 version of "Alcoholics Anonymous." It's written in a style that's friendly to readers of any gender, race, or spiritual path. Until now, Bill Wilson's 1939 book has never been edited for modern readers. This book is for: Women who object to the sexist language in the original Big Book. The EZ Big Book is gender neutral. All partners of alcoholics, including gays and lesbians. The EZ Big Book makes no assumption about the genders or marital status of partners. Alcoholics at all reading levels. The language is reader-friendly and journalistic in tone. Readers of any faith, including agnostics. The spiritual references in the book are all-encompassing. Non-English speakers. Readers for whom English is a second language buy the EZ Big Book because the writing is simple and direct. About the Author The author is a retired science and nature writer with double-digit of sobriety. Her last years of drinking took her to emergency rooms several times and finally to rehab.

Drop the Rock—The Ripple Effect provides multiple perspectives from people successfully working a Twelve Step Program, showing Step 10 as a key to a sober life free of fear and resentment and filled with serenity and gratitude. When Drop the Rock: Removing Character Defects was first published in 1999, it quickly became the standard resource for working Steps 6 and 7, two of the most challenging of the Twelve Steps for many people in recovery. Learning what it means to fully surrender character defects frees you to make amends with Steps 8 and 9, realize the Big Book's "Promises," and move on to Step 10. In this new follow-up resource, Fred H. explores what he calls "the ripple effect" that can be created by using Step 10 to practice Steps 6 and 7 every day and avoid picking up "the rock" again. Drawing on his years of lecturing on the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous and Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions, he reveals Step 10 as the natural culmination of working the previous Steps. providing a crash course on renewing your recovery program through the daily practice of Twelve Step principles. Like its predecessor, Drop the Rock—The Ripple Effect provides multiple perspectives from people successfully working a Twelve Step Program, showing Step 10 as a key to a sober life free of fear and resentment and filled with serenity and gratitude. Fred H. has worked in the field of addiction and recovery for over three decades and is the director of the retreat center for a leading addiction treatment program. He is a popular international speaker on the Big Book and the principles of the Twelve Steps.

Counselor and interventionist Debra Jay shows alcoholics, other addicts, and their loved ones how to work collaboratively and as individuals to take on the roles and responsibilities that support long-term sobriety Counselor and interventionist Debra Jay shows alcoholics, other addicts, and their loved ones how to work collaboratively and as individuals to take on the roles and responsibilities that support long-term sobrietyMost books on recovery from addiction focus either on the addict or the family. While most alcoholics and addicts coming out of treatment have a recovery plan, families are often left to figure things out for themselves. In It Takes a Family, Debra Jay takes a fresh approach to the recovery process by making family members and friends part of the recovery team, beginning in the early stages of sobriety. In straightforward, compassionate language, she outlines a structured model that shows family members both how to take personal responsibility and to build a circle of support to meet the obstacles common to the first year of recovery. Together, family members address the challenges of enabling, denial, and pain while developing their communication skills through practical, easy-to-follow strategies and exercises designed to create transparency and accountability. With this invaluable guide, family members work together as they reinvent their relationships without the all-consuming dysfunction of active addiction.

And acceptance is the answer to all my problems... A.A. members know of Dr. Paul's wisdom through the often-quoted passage from his story in A.A.'s Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous. Dr. Paul continues sharing his astute insight and gentle humor with discussions of the physical, mental, emotional, interpersonal and spiritual aspects of sobriety.

In times of crisis like the coronavirus pandemic has caused, we need all the recovery tools we can get. Smart sobriety means working on all the stuff our substances were covering up. The author of the classic 12 Stupid Things That Mess Up Recovery offers a fresh list of "smart" things to do to attain and sustain emotional sobriety. Whether it's called "dry drunk" or "white knuckle sobriety," it's that stage in recovery when we realize that "putting the plug in the jug" isn't enough. The next step is taking responsibility for the emotional immaturity that fuels our addictive personality and has a tremendous impact on ourselves and others. Allen Berger, PhD, draws on the teachings of Bill W. and psychotherapy pioneers to offer twelve hallmarks of emotional sobriety that, when practiced, give people the confidence to be accountable for their behavior, ask for what they want and need, and grow and develop a deeper trust in the process of life. These smart things include: understanding who you are and what's important to you; learning not to take others' reactions personally; trusting your inner compass; and taking responsibility for your reactions to problematic situations. It is in these practices that we find release from what Bill W. described as an "absolute dependency" on people or circumstances, and develop the tools to find prestige, security, and belonging within.

A great book for completing the 12 steps of Alcoholics Anonymous. It includes four simple yet powerful worksheets for doing AA's 4th step and a very simple and powerful approach to Step 7. This revised addition also includes a new appendix describing how the author sponsors newcomers.

A tangible resource and tool for navigating all of the typical post treatment hurdles, identifying the reader's triggers and challenges and strategizing to create a stable plan for recovery maintenance.

Leading addiction researchers survey the latest findings in addiction science, countering the simplistic cultural stereotypes

## of the addict.

Designed as an aid for the study of the book, Alcoholics Anonymous, The Little Red Book contains many helpful topics for discussion meetings. This is the original study guide to the Big Book, Alcoholics Anonymous. Filled with practical information for those first days of sober living, this little book: offers newcomers advice about the program, how long it takes, and what to look for in a sponsorprovides in-depth discussions of each of the Twelve Steps and related character defectsposes common questions about AA and helping others, identifying where to find answers in the Big Bookfeatures non-sexist language.

Concise advice on hunting down the personal culprits that sabotage sobriety and personal happiness. To grow in recovery, we must grow up emotionally. This means getting honest with ourselves and facing up to the self-defeating thoughts and actions that put our sobriety at risk. Although there are as many ways to mess up recovery as there are alcoholics and addicts, some general themes exist, which includeconfusing self-concern with selfishnessnot making amendsusing the program to try to become perfectnot getting help for relationship troublesbelieving that life should be easyIn simple, down-to-earth language, Allen Berger explores the twelve most commonly confronted beliefs and attitudes that can sabotage recovery. He then provides tools for working through these problems in daily life. This useful guide offers fresh perspectives on how the process of change begins with basic self-awareness and a commitment to working a daily program.

The words of this book's title are said aloud every day by thousands of people meeting together to help each other recover from addictions the addictions may be to alcohol or cocaine, gambling or food, violence or sex, but the path to recovery is the same. The exciting thing about the Twelve Steps is that they teach us how to live. Once we know the design of living and the principles of living a successful life, we find that we not only get over the problems we see, but we avoid many other problems we would have had. To me, the miracle is that all this was boiled down into twelve simple Steps that anybody can apply. This is a book of plain-spoken wisdom for people with addictions and people who love them. Joe McQ has been a student of the Twelve Steps for more than three decades. He, like tens of thousands of others, lives them every day, one day at a time. In The Steps We Took, Joe takes us through them, one Step at a time, and helps us understand how they work-and how they can change our lives.

A substance use problem exists when one experiences any type of difficulty related to using alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs including illicit street drugs or prescribed drugs such as painkillers or tranquilizers. The difficulty can be in any area of life; medical or physical, psychological, family, interpersonal, social, academic, occupational, legal, financial, or spiritual. This expanded new edition of the successful Graywind Publications title provides the reader with practical information and skills to help them understand and change a drug or alcohol problem. Designed to be used in conjunction with therapy or counseling, it focuses on special issues involved in stopping substance use and in changing behaviors or aspects of one's lifestyle that keep the substance use problem active. The information presented is derived from a wealth of research studies, and discusses the most effective recovery strategies from the examination of cognitive-behavoral treatment. Treatments That Work TM represents the gold standard of behavioral healthcare interventions! DT All programs have been rigorously tested in clinical trials and are backed by years of research DT A prestigious scientific advisory board, led by series Editor-In-Chief David H. Barlow, reviews and evaluates each intervention to ensure that it meets the highest standard of evidence so you can be confident that you are using the most effective treatment available to date DT Our books are reliable and effective and make it easy for you to provide your clients with the best care available DT Our corresponding workbooks contain psychoeducational information, forms and worksheets, and homework assignments to keep clients engaged and motivated DT A companion website (www.oup.com/us/ttw) offers downloadable clinical tools and helpful resources DT Continuing Education (CE) Credits are now available on select titles in collaboration with PsychoEducational Resources, Inc. (PER)

The Tao of Sobriety shows how to apply eastern philosophy to enhance recovery from addiction to alcohol and other drugs. With a few simple mental exercises, readers can learn how to quiet "The Committee," those nasty mental voices that undermine serenity and self-esteem. With leaders of the recovery movement enthusiastically endorsing this uniquely helpful book, The Tao of Sobriety is an invaluable addition to the recovery bookshelf.

"Addiction can wreak havoc on relationships, destroying trust and damaging bonds with family, friends, and colleagues. Substance use both causes these interpersonal problems and becomes a method of trying to cope with them. Psychologist and addictions expert Kelly Green has learned through working with hundreds of clients that maintaining healthy relationships is key to the recovery process. In this compassionate, judgment-free guide, Dr. Green shares powerful tools for setting and maintaining boundaries, communicating feelings and needs, ending harmful relationships respectfully, and reestablishing emotional intimacy. With inspiring narratives, downloadable self-assessment worksheets, and exercises, this book lights the way to a life untethered from addiction--and filled with positive connections"-
Guides those in recovery in developing the awareness and skills to deal with life's issues by practicing authentic spirituality and emotional sobriety. Spirituality is a critical aspect of the Twelve Steps and other recovery programs. Yet, for those of us disposed to addiction, it can be easy to get so caught up in the idea of our Higher Power and the abundant joys of a spiritual life that we experience "spiritual bypass"--the use of spirituality to avoid dealing with ourselves, our emotions, and our unfinished business.In Recovering Spirituality, researcher and clinical psychologist Ingrid Mathieu uses personal stories and practical advice to teach us how to grow up emotionally and take responsibility for ourselves. Without turning away from the true benefits of an active spiritual program, she shows us how to work through life's challenges and periods of pain while evolving and maintaining an authentic relationship with our Higher Power.

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This manual presents the first empirically studied, integrative treatment approach developed specifically for co-occurring PTSD and substance abuse. For persons with this prevalent and difficult-to-treat dual diagnosis, the most urgent clinical need is to establish safety-to work toward discontinuing substance use, letting go of dangerous relationships, and gaining control over such extreme symptoms as dissociation and self-harm. The manual is divided into 25 specific units or topics, addressing a range of different cognitive, behavioral, and

interpersonal domains. Each topic provides highly practical tools and techniques to engage patients in treatment; teach "safe coping skills" that apply to both disorders; and restore ideals that have been lost, including respect, care, protection, and healing. Structured yet flexible, topics can be conducted in any order and in a range of different formats and settings. The volume is designed for maximum ease of use with a large-size format and helpful reproducible therapist sheets and handouts, which purchasers can also download and print at the companion Web page. See also the author's self-help guide Finding Your Best Self, Revised Edition: Recovery from Addiction, Trauma, or Both, an ideal client recommendation.

A practical guide to letting go of the character defects that get in the way of true and joyful recovery. Resentment. Fear. Self-Pity. Intolerance. Anger. As Bill P. explains, these are the "rocks" that can sink recovery- or at the least, block further progress. Based on the principles behind Steps Six and Seven, Drop the Rock combines personal stories, practical advice, and powerful insights to help readers move forward in recovery. The second edition features additional stories and a reference section.

Picking up right at the point where Janet Woititz's 1990 hit book Adult Children of Alcoholics left off, clinical psychologist Tian Dayton's latest contribution contains fresh perspectives and new analysis on how to gain back emotional stability after growing up with the trauma of addiction, abuse, and dysfunction. Dr. Dayton accomplishes this by presenting and explaining the latest research in neuropsychology and the role trauma plays on chemically altering the brain. With compassion and clear explanations and her own personal journey, Dayton teaches readers how to undo the neuropsychological damage of trauma to rewire the brain and reverse the negative effects trauma has on our future relationships and behaviors to gain emotional sobriety. In Emotional Sobriety, Dr. Dayton teaches readers: How to understand the mind/body relationship of addiction and relationship trauma How to rewire your brain to undo the negative effects trauma has on personal, career, and romantic relationships How changing the way one lives and perceives adult relationships can change the way one thinks and feels and vice versa

How to use coaching strategies to lead change in any organization This practical guide for school and district leaders provides 12 strategies for overcoming resistance to change. Unlike more theoretical books, this text shows how to adopt a coaching style of leadership as a systemic change strategy. Components include: Challenging assumptions to prevent them from becoming reality Confronting negativity by reframing and cultivating optimism Gathering a group to aggregate energy, creativity, and encouragement Using imagery and visualization techniques to improve performance Focusing on the future to overcome the errors of the past and challenges of the present "A groundbreaking program to help you cut back or guit drinking entirely--in the privacy of your own home"--

Most addictive behavior is rooted in some type of loss, be it the death of a loved one, coming to terms with limitations set by chronic health problems, or the end of a relationship. By turning to drugs and alcohol, people who have suffered a loss can numb their grief. In the process, they postpone their healing and can drive themselves further into addiction. The Mindfulness Workbook for Addiction offers readers an effective program for working through their addiction and grief with cognitive behavior therapy (CBT), dialectical behavior therapy (DBT), and acceptance and commitment therapy (ACT). Created by a psychologist who works for the Department of Veterans Affairs and a marriage and family therapist who works for Sharp Mesa Vista Hospital, this mindfulness training workbook is effective for treating the emotion dysregulation, stress, depression, and grief that lie at the heart of addiction. No matter the loss, the mindfulness skills in this workbook help readers process their grief, determine the function their addiction is serving, and replace the addiction with healthy coping behaviors. A guide to all kinds of addiction from a star who has struggled with heroin, alcohol, sex, fame, food and eBay, that will help addicts and their loved ones make the first steps into recovery "This manual for self-realization comes not from a mountain but from the mud...My qualification is not that I am better than you but I am worse." —Russell Brand With a rare mix of honesty, humor, and compassion, comedian and movie star Russell Brand mines his own wild story and shares the advice and wisdom he has gained through his fourteen years of recovery. Brand speaks to those suffering along the full spectrum of addiction—from drugs, alcohol, caffeine, and sugar addictions to addictions to work, stress, bad relationships, digital media, and fame. Brand understands that addiction can take many shapes and sizes and how the process of staying clean, sane, and unhooked is a daily activity. He believes that the question is not "Why are you addicted?" but "What pain is your addiction masking? Why are you running—into the wrong job, the wrong life, the wrong person's arms?" Russell has been in all the twelve-step fellowships going, he's started his own men's group, he's a therapy regular and a practiced yogi—and while he's worked on this material as part of his comedy and previous bestsellers, he's never before shared the tools that really took him out of it, that keep him clean and clear. Here he provides not only a recovery plan, but an attempt to make sense of the ailing world.

Traumatic experiences leave a "living legacy" of effects that often persist for years and decades after the events are over. Historically, it has always been assumed that re-telling the story of what happened would resolve these effects. However, survivors report a different experience: Telling and re-telling the story of what happened to them often reactivates their trauma responses, overwhelming them rather than resolving the trauma. To transform traumatic experiences, survivors need to understand their symptoms and reactions as normal responses to abnormal events. They need ways to work with the symptoms that intrude on their daily activities, preventing a life beyond trauma. Dr. Janina Fisher, international expert on trauma, has spent over 40 years working with survivors, helping them to navigate the healing journey. In Transforming the Living Legacy of Trauma, she shows how the legacy of symptoms helped them survive and offers: - Stepby-step strategies that can be used on their own or in collaboration with a therapist - Simple diagrams that make sense of the confusing feelings and physical reactions survivors experience - Worksheets to practice the skills that bring relief and ultimately healing For those of us in recovery, finding our moral and spiritual footing can be Addiction to chemicals can cloud our moral clarity; so can crisis. As we add concern about coronavirus to our days, we can keep discerning and choosing what's good for ourselves and the ones we love. For those of us in recovery, finding our moral and spiritual footing can be a struggle. The pursuit of drugs and alcohol has long driven our choices and actions, leaving the line between right and wrong blurred in the wake of addiction. In Finding Your Moral Compass, Craig Nakken, author of the best-selling book The Addictive Personality, gives readers in recovery the model and tools needed to make life decisions in the pursuit of good. He offers 41 universally accepted principles, paired as positive and negative counterparts that guide behavior. He then inspires us with one fundamental challenge: To take responsibility for being a force for good by applying these principles to our daily lives. He encourages us to show empathy, be of service to others, and make the choice to stop being an agent of harm. When Nakken, a former addict, became clean and sober, he faced the "evil" inside of himself. It was then that he found his moral compass and made the decision to take responsibility for his actions using the Twelve Steps as his guide. He has taught hundreds in recovery to live by the principles of good, one day at a time. About the author Craig Nakken is the author of several Hazelden titles, including the perennial bestseller The Addictive Personality. He is a popular public speaker and a highly respected private practice counselor, with years of working in the frontlines in a number of treatment facilities.

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