

Lesson 14

Ready

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.”

(Matthew 5:6)

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)

Introduction

Most of us, if not all of us, would be very willing to have certain character defects go away. The sooner the better! But let's face it, some defects are hard to give up.

We've formed our defects of character, our hang-ups, our habits over periods of ten, twenty, or thirty years. In this principle you and God — together — are going after these defects. All of them!

Tonight's acrostic will show you how to get **READY** to allow Him to do that.

- I. _____ . (Psalm 143:10)
- II. _____ . (Psalm 37:5)
- III. _____ the _____. (1 Peter 1:13 –14; James 4:10)
- IV. _____ your character defects. (Matthew 12:43 – 45)
- V. _____ to the _____. (1 John 3:9)

Conclusion

The question is, “Are you entirely ready to voluntarily submit to any and all changes God wants to make in your life?”

If you are, then read the Principle 5a verses found in Participant's Guide 3 on page 32, and pray the following prayer:

Dear God, thank You for taking me this far in my recovery journey. Now I pray for Your help in making me be entirely ready to change all my shortcomings. Give me the strength to deal with all of my character defects that I have turned over to You. Allow me to accept all the changes that You want to make in me. Help me be the person that You want me to be. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.