When you try to control everything, you enjoy nothing. Sometimes you just need to *relax*, breathe, *let go* **and live in the moment** 



The Journey of a Thousand Miles begins with a single step. Even the longest and most difficult ventures have a starting point.

**Enjoy the Journey.** 

# Quick Start, Daily Prayers, Print this Page

# In the Morning before you get out of Bed, & At night, Before sleep.

#### **Serenity Prayer**

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, The courage to change the things I can, And wisdom to know the difference.

#### **Third Step Prayer**

God, I offer myself to Thee — to build with me and to do with me as Thou wilt. Relieve me of the bondage of self, that I may better do Thy will. Take away my difficulties, that victory over them may bear witness to those I would help of Thy Power, Thy Love, and Thy Way of life. May I do Thy will always!

### **Seventh Step Prayer**

My Creator, I am now willing that you should have all of me, good & bad. I pray that you now remove from me every single defect of character which stands in the way of my usefulness to you & my fellows. Grant me strength, as I go out from here to do Your bidding.

# St. Francis Prayer

Lord, make me a channel of thy peace; where there is hatred, I may bring love; where there is wrong, I may bring the spirit of forgiveness; where there is discord, I may bring harmony; where there is error, I may bring truth; where there is doubt, I may bring faith; where there is despair, I may bring hope; where there are shadows, I may bring light; where there is sadness, I may bring joy. Lord, grant that I may seek rather to comfort than to be comforted; to understand, than to be understood; to love, than to be loved. For it is by self-forgetting that one finds. It is by forgiving that one is forgiven. It is by dying that one awakens to eternal life. Amen.

# Gratitude List - out loud / or written / or silent 2-3 mins

Think of a few things you are grateful for (simple Stuff) Warm Bed, Food, Love, Health, Friends, Happiness, Job, etc.... (your done - enjoy the day)

# Path to Success

Start to Pray - its Free & Easy	Look for a Higher Power
Work the 12 Steps	Get a Sponsor (Coach, Mentor)
Participate in your Success	Be Honest, Open Minded, Willing
Show up 10 mins Early to Meetings	Know the names of others near you
Go to Group 3-5x per week	Sit in the same Seat / Area
Think on Purpose (why am I here)	Be Grateful
Listen Intently to recovery & success	Know their story
Follow Suggestion	Change your behavior
Share Your Story, Share Your Hope	Look for the Good
Help Somebody – Anywhere	Let Somebody Help You
Call Somebody and say hello	Be accountable, Be Trustworthy
Help Create a Miracle	Again - Pray - its Free & Easy

# Understanding: Why I want to do this?

Alcoholics & Addicts can go on for weeks, months, and years without seeing the effects they are causing to people. Parents, Friends, Spouses, Children, Co-Workers, & even YOU. Everybody you encounter is being affected by your addiction. You might not notice it, but <u>they do</u>, and <u>they have been impacted</u>. Change your behavior, and change your life.

# When you look to the future with open and honest heart,

Will <u>your life story</u> be, (you) are a Great Student, Co-worker, Father, Mother, Husband, Wife, Friend, Brother, Sister, etc.

People will Say: I remember the time we did \_\_\_\_\_ together it was awesome... (you) are just the best \_\_\_\_\_

#### Or will people answer:

"We distanced our self from (your name) years ago "I think (your name) is still ... Addicted, Homeless, Divorced, Prison, Hospitalized.... or is DEAD.

#### Live and Grow:

We have 168 hours per week to live life and thrive.

You are your best investment, Committing to this process. just 10hrs per week, 7% of your time, will yield 93% upside reward. Get all the good life has to offer, you deserve it.

This is not a job, or something hard, it is an enjoyable experience, a great journey. This is a long-waited vacation from your current life, and a path to a new life.

Dear Higher Power, we pray that we may recover from our disease. We pray for others to have, Hope, Happiness, Health, Love, and Abundance in our lives.