

Recovery Calls For Fellowship

Lesson 7

Jesus died to get rid of our separation: The separation between you and God AND the separation between you and me:

1 Thessalonians 3:9-12 – How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy we have in the presence of our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you again and supply what is lacking in your faith. Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus clear the way for us to come to you. May the Lord make your love increase and overflow for each other and for everyone else, just as ours does for you.

1 Corinthians 12, selected verses – There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good... The body is not made up of one part but of many... in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. If they were all one part, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, but one body... Those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it, so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

The Second Tradition of AA: “For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority—a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience.”

- Was part of your insanity thinking that you had to know it all and do it all yourself? Did you push other people away? Why do you think you were like that?
- Can you look back at the beginnings of your recovery and of your life with God, and see the people God sent to help make it happen?
- Are there people in your life today who are strong for you in areas where you are weak, and wise for you in areas where you are ignorant?
- Are there times when you get to be strong for somebody else?