

Getting Help: The Hope Choice

(The Road to Recovery- Part 2)

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Step 1:

Realize I'm not God; I admit I'm powerless to control my tendency to do the wrong thing and my life is unmanageable.

Step 2:

Earnestly believe that God _____, that I _____ to him, and that he has the _____ to help me recover.

"Anyone who comes to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him." Hebrews 11:6 (NIV)

Three Parts:

I. Acknowledge God's _____

"For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made.

So they are without excuse." Romans 1:20 (ESV)

"The fool says in his heart, 'There is no God.'" Psalm 14:1 (ESV)

II. Understand God's _____

"The Son is the image of the invisible God." Colossians 1:15 (TNIV)

- God _____ all about my situation.

"You have known the distress of my soul" Psalm 31:7 (ESV)

"You have collected all my tears in your bottle"

Psalm 56:8 (NLT)

- God _____ about my situation.

"The Lord is like a Father to his children..."

He remembers we are only dust." Psalm 103:13-14 (NLT)

"But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8 (ESV)

- God can _____ me and my situation.

"What is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe...that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead." Ephesians 1:19-20 (ESV)

*"What is impossible with men is possible with God."
Luke 18:27 (ESV)*

III. Accept God's _____ to help you.

"For God is working in you, giving you the desire and power to do what pleases him." Philippians 2:13 (NLT)

"For God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control." 2 Timothy 1:7 (ESV)

How do we plug in to God's Power?

We _____ and _____

"Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God." Isaiah 43:1-3 (ESV)