## <u>Step 12</u>

Having had a spiritual awakening as *the* result of *these* steps == <u>THE PROMISE</u>

we tried to carry **this message** to alcoholics

== <u>THE CHARGE</u>

and to practice *these principles* in all our affairs. == <u>THE CHALLENGE</u>

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**Spiritual Awakening** = "personality change sufficient to bring about recovery " ..... "vast change in feeling and outlook'......"transformations...of the educational variety because they develop slowly over a period of time"....."profound alteration in his reaction to life" -----"Spiritual Experience" p 569

"huge emotional displacements and rearrangements. Ideas, emotions and attitudes which were once the guiding forces of the lives of these men are suddenly cast to one side, and a completely new set of conceptions and motives begin to dominate them." ------ "There Is A Solution" p 27:4

"an entire psychic change" --- "The Doctor's Opinion" p XXVii

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*this message* = Having had a spiritual awakening as *the* result of *these* steps

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<u>these principles</u> = these steps (see "How It Works" p 60:1)

"A.A.'s Twelve Steps are a group of *principles*, spiritual in nature" -- Twelve Steps & Twelve Traditions" Forward p 15.

Can I really see how powerless I am over.....? Can I realize the insanity of trying to control ......, knowing full well I cannot? Can I make a decision to turn over ......'s will and life over to the care of God? Can I inventory <u>me</u> and find those things within <u>me</u> that make me think I can control ...? Can I talk about those things to another human being? Can I become willing to have God remove those defects of character? Can I ask Him to do so? Can I make amends quickly when I've harmed .....?

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