



Bible Study of the 12 Steps of Recovery

Do you want to find more order in the disorder? Do you want to grow deeper in faith by learning more scripture and exploring the steps in the context of the Bible?

If you do, please join us

**The first Sunday of each month at
Christ Presbyterian Church,
Washington Valley & Crim in Martinsville
at 12:30. *starting Oct 2nd**



Do you know that *One day at a time* is found in the book of Matthew and *Faith without works* is from the book of James? Bill Wilson based the 12 steps of recovery on the Oxford Group's six, and it is interesting to see that much of the Big Book of Alcoholics Anonymous is taken from the bigger book – the Bible.

Using the words and insights of Richard Rohr (*Falling Upward*), *like Jesus, we too need the ability to find higher order in constant disorder and true Gospel as rare as it might be, still heals and renews all that it touches*. Another great author, Edward T. Welch (*Addictions – A Banquet in the Grave; Finding Hope in the Power of the Gospel*) also says *since addictions are illustrations of idolatries that affect us all, we should expect principles of change for addictions to be very similar to those for any sin problem...one being – grow in faith by knowing God as he reveals himself in scripture. ..Change must be deeper than overt behavioral change; we must target our hearts*.

Each month we will read and discuss a variety of scripture pertaining to 1 of the 12 steps. Studying the Bible will help us go deeper into our hearts and strengthen our relationship with God and grow in faith by knowing Him from scripture. The outcome is experiencing more peace, love and order in our lives, as well as being a brighter “light” in the darkness of the chaos and disorder in our world.

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