

# Chemical Dependence

## SELF-EVALUATION

1. Have you ever decided to stop drinking and/or using for a week or so, but only lasted for a couple of days?
2. Do you wish people would mind their own business about your drinking and/or using – stop telling you what to do?
3. Have you ever switched from one kind of drink or drug to another in the hope that this would keep you from losing control?
4. Have you had to have an “eye-opener” upon awakening during the past year? Do you need a drink or drug to get started, or stop shaking?
5. Do you envy people who can drink or use drugs without getting into trouble?
6. Have you had problems connected with drinking or using during the past year?
7. Has your drinking or using caused trouble at home?
8. Do you ever try to get “extra” drinks or drugs at a party because you did not get enough?
9. Do you tell yourself you can stop drinking or using any time you want to, even though you keep getting inebriated when you don’t mean to?
10. Have you missed days of work or school because of drinking or using?
11. Do you have “blackouts”?
12. Have you ever felt that your life would be better if you did not drink or use?

## What is your score?

Did you answer YES two (2) or more times? If so, you are probably in trouble with alcohol or drugs.

But again, only you can decide whether you think Celebrate Recovery is for you. Try to keep an open mind on the subject. If the answer is YES, we will be glad to show you how we stopped drinking and using drugs ourselves.

## THE SOLUTION

By working through the Eight Recovery Principles found in the Beatitudes with Jesus Christ as your Higher Power, you can and will change! You will begin to experience the true peace and serenity you have been seeking, and you will no longer have to rely on your dysfunctional, compulsive, and addictive behaviors as a temporary “fix” for your pain.

Celebrate Recovery does not promise to solve your life’s problems. But we can show you how we are learning to live without drinking or using one day at a time with the help of our Higher Power, Jesus Christ. We stay away from that first drink. If there is no first one, there cannot be a tenth one. And when we are free of alcohol, we found that life became much more manageable, with Christ’s power.