



CELEBRATE RECOVERY[®]

MIXED ISSUES

Issue Pamphlet

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Exploring the Issue of Mixed Issues

You may have come to our ministry because of a friend's recommendation. Maybe you are here because you saw a flyer or heard an announcement here at our church. Regardless of why you decided to attend, we are SO glad you are here.

We are very excited you have decided to stick around for our Open Share Groups. We want to provide a secure environment in our Open Share Groups that keep you coming back! That is why we use the following five guidelines. These guidelines ensure that no matter what group you decide to attend, it will be an experience in which you will feel safe and supported.

1. Keep your sharing focused on your own thoughts and feelings, using "I" and "me" statements. Limit your sharing to three to five minutes.
2. There is no cross-talk. Cross-talk is when two individuals engage in conversations excluding all others. Each person is free to express his or her feelings without interruptions.
3. We are here to support one another, not "fix" one another. This keeps us focused on our own issues.
4. Anonymity and confidentiality are basic requirements. What is shared in the group stays in the group. The only exception is when someone threatens to injure themselves or others.
5. Offensive language has no place in a Christ-centered recovery group.

Additional Small Group Guidelines for Online Groups. The following guidelines are to be used in all online Open Share Groups and Step Studies:

6. All members must use headphones.
7. All members must be on camera and alone in the room.
8. The meetings will not be recorded.

Exploring Recovery

After attending our Newcomers 101 group you may still be struggling to find the right Open Share Group for you. *(The goal of Newcomers 101 is to explain how Celebrate Recovery works and to help you find an Open Share Group.)*

You may have looked through our group descriptions and not found a group that specifically meets your recovery needs.

You may have looked through our group descriptions and decided that you could be in any of them. You are unsure where exactly to start.

You may feel most comfortable starting your recovery journey around others with “mixed issues”...

However, at some point we believe there is power in being able to “name” your specific issue. Consider joining a step study, if one is available, to help you dig in to your recovery and to help you identify the core issue you are struggling with.

If you feel overwhelmed because you identify with more than one issue, we always recommend you start your recovery journey with the issue that is causing you, or others, the most pain right now.

How We Find Recovery

Attend our mixed issues group! We are so glad to have you join us. This is a group that will help you address and begin the healing process for your hurt, hang-up, or habit. Your struggle is important to us, and we look forward to walking with you on your unique recovery journey.

Through a relationship with Jesus Christ as Savior and Higher Power, and by working through the 8 recovery principles and the Christ-centered 12 steps, we can find freedom from our hurts, hang-ups, and habits.

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