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That's why I get a little stock in Bill's thoughts on the program being completely plagiarism by the Oxford Group. Grounding AA in Christianity and its dogmatic requirement to communicate with a God, also known in the Twelve Steps as Him with a capital H, while celebrating the end of thought (make it clear in the chapter on agnostics before the meat and potatoes of the main text even begins), is the reason practical thinking non-believers and Bill Wilson biographers alike can't stomach these things for a long time. Although the idea that men actually talk about their problems could help said the problems were probably revolutionary in the 1980s when it was first published. Two stars for it and effort. Spontaneous recovery or just growing up and not dependent on drugs anymore happens statistically more often than folks get even a one-year coin. AA has the worst success rate on all drugs at maybe 3-4%. This is rejected or ignored by folks in the AA, a program so obviously in denial about incompetence and religiosity is comical. I like it, I like it. Like. You guys tell me a higher power can be a door button or a tree or whatever I want when your 12 steps just point out that God is One He, and you should ask him favors. I also like how you're supposed to be about to remove your imperfections from God. How's that going? Is that great yet? Wake up- it's people who help keep other people sober, not a higher power. It's about people helping others. When Bill W. ran into that church in Akron 80 years ago he wanted a priest not because he wanted society with a higher power, he wanted secrecy and discretion. So he turned to a doctor, a man of science and practical thought. They talked, Bill wasn't drinking, and AA was born. It had nothing to do with God in that church in that phone booth, it was about people helping people. This is what works in AA, not weakened Christianity. People. Like Soyment Green, it's made of people. That's why even the pious religious cant pray off their alcoholism, they should talk about real people too. Think about it. ... more May 31, 2019 Deborah-Ruth rated it was amazing This little pamphlet is a collection of stories from members of the AA who have come to believe in the faith of God (Higher Power). Stories are taken from all over the world. Some of the stories are humorous, some are serious, and others are real and raw, but they all share a certain experience, power and hope. All of them point towards a Spiritual Awakening. I really enjoyed reading this book as part of my morning meditations. Jan 18, 2020 Sara rated liked This is a great book for those in 12 step programs trying to determine what a higher power is or means to them. The book contains personal stories of how individuals began to believe they are something bigger than themselves. I recommend this for anyone in 12 step who creates or redefines their spirituality. Jan 31, 2012 Chris Gager rated that he liked my newest restoration book gifted to me by my aa meeting. I won it in the weekly lottery. I read it one at a time. For me the boundary between secular spirituality and general Christian religiosity can be quite precarious at times in groups of 12 steps. AA, is the most tradition-bound, has the biggest problems. My guess is that Bill W. was very attached to the background of the Oxford Team that he couldn't see the wisdom of letting go of all these things of God. Words like Creator, He, His, He, Thee, You, Th my newest restoration book gifted to me by my aa meeting. I won it in Lottery. I read it one at a time. For me the boundary between secular spirituality and general Christian religiosity can be quite precarious at times in groups of 12 steps. AA, is the most tradition-bound, has the biggest problems. 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Having the spiritual awakening is what allowed me the ability to have complete confidence and faith in God that everything will work as long as I continue to do the next right thing! Constant satisfaction! No more words to describe! ... more September 27, 2012 Deke Hardwick rated it was amazing Really powerful testimony and moving stories written by members of the AA describing their spiritual awakening. This puts Bush's burning theory to the acid test and teaches me that although the experience of rehabilitation doesn't come to Hollywood or fancy package that our imagination tends to create, the wonders of awakening and transformation are not these kinds of myths. It's much deeper and better than those fluffy up ideas that we tend to imagine and hope for. We take much more from our limited minds Really powerful testimony and moving stories written by members of the AA describing their spiritual awakening. 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This is a collection of several stories from those in 12 step recovery on the quest for a higher power. This small volume shows the diversity that can be found in a spiritual program. For anyone stuck in the god gunk of AA you can find an unexpected answer within these pages. Once again, he's a guard. It's definitely not a once-in-a-while reading and done. I read this book while starting my graduate practice at an outpatient addiction treatment clinic. It tells great stories about how people on 12step scholarships came to believe in a higher power of their understanding... even atheists! Aug 17, 2016 Alivia Biko rated that I really liked I've read this book many times. The quality of writing varies, as it does with all AA books - since members write and personal experience, not their writing chops. Never-the-least, it's a basis in my 12-step reading. Sep 02, 2008 April rated as being amazing Recommends for: Jackson & Ronnie Recommended to April by: Barb Fabulous book. I wasn't brought up with any religion, so having a book of non-religious spiritual experiences was perfect for me. I couldn't choose a favorite story from this book if I tried, but I left feeling like God tangible and something I could have in my life. Apr 18, 2012 Sam Honeycutt rated it was amazing This is a very good and well written book by Bill Wilson one of the co-founders of AA. This book explains the spiritual compared to a religious basis for recovering alcoholics in relation to step 2. Jul 28, 2015 Stephen Nowak added it took me a while to finish this, but it was worth reading! One of those books I had to take my time with. Very inspiring and written with courage and sincerity. February 15, 2010 Sara Julessa rated that it was amazing that I have read this book and continue to get it, there is beautiful inspiration throughout ... worth reading even if you're not part of the scholarship... 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