

DAILY AT 12:30PM

THE RENAISSANCE GROUP

4 W. 43RD STREET | 4TH FL

RENAISSANCE MEETING SCRIPT

KEEP SCROLLING TO SCREEN SHARE THE A.A. PREAMBLE AND HOW IT WORKS

Renaissance Group Meeting Script - Zoom

1. **Welcome to Renaissance. We meet here through zoom every day from 12:30-1:30 pm. Wednesday is a STEP/TRADITIONS meeting, Thursday is a BEGINNERS meeting, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday are LITERATURE meetings.** On Wednesdays and Thursdays, we also meet in person at 4 W 43rd St in Manhattan, Room 406. For the protection of our members if you are not feeling well we ask that you join through ZOOM versus joining in person.
2. In the virtual meeting all participants are muted. You may use the raise hand option or wave your hand in front of your camera to be recognized by the chair. The chair will send you a request to unmute so that you can share.
3. Please select someone to read the A.A. PREAMBLE. On THURSDAY (Beginners Meeting), please ask someone to read "HOW IT WORKS".
4. A.A. has no dues or fees- but we do have expenses including monthly rent for our space on 43rd Street. In keeping with the 7th TRADITION we are self supporting through our own contributions. We suggest a donation of \$3 to cover our expenses, which you may send through Venmo to the username @serenityandservice or you may send check or cash to Patty Kraft, our treasurer. We will add Patty's address and the Venmo details to the chat window.
5. (VISITORS, DAY COUNTERS, ANNIVERSARIES. FOR EACH OF THESE YOU NEED TO ALLOW PARTICIPANTS TO RAISE THEIR HAND, CALL ON EACH ONE AND SEND THEM A REQUEST TO UNMUTE THEIR LINE)
 - Is there anyone at this meeting for the FIRST TIME, or VISITING from out of TOWN?
 - Is there anyone COUNTING DAYS?
 - Is there anyone celebrating an ANNIVERSARY of a year or more this month?
 - Are there any A.A. related ANNOUNCEMENTS?

PASTE IN THE CHAT WINDOW** Welcome to the Renaissance Group! To join, please send your name, email, and phone number to Renaissancegroupnyc@gmail.com To speak at Renaissance please contact Michael C, mcivittello@gmail.com To contribute to the 7th tradition please send through Venmo to the username @serenityandservice or send check or cash to our treasurer Patty Kraft, 2 Charlton St. Apt 1C, New York, NY 10014. The suggested donation is \$3. The Wi-Fi password for 4 W 43rdSt. is swiftsquirl674

WEDNESDAYS ONLY!

I have asked _____ to read the synopsis for Step _____ from the Table of Contents in A.A. 12 Steps and 12 Traditions.

The last Wednesday of the month we read the entire tradition .

CHAIRPERSON CAN SCREEN SHARE THE STEP OR TRADITION FROM HERE:

https://www.aa.org/sites/default/files/2022-01/en_ft_contents.pdf

6. Introduce the **SPEAKER (PLEASE WELCOME _____ from _____ group).**

Since the meeting began:

- a. Is there anyone new to the group or visiting from out of town who did not get to introduce themselves?
- b. Is there anyone counting days who did not get to share their day count?
- c. Is there anyone celebrating an anniversary this month who did not get to announce it before?

We have an interim SPONSORSHIP program here. All persons with more than one year of continuous sobriety, and are willing to sponsor someone, please raise your hand visually in front of your camera. (YOU MAY WANT TO PAUSE TO ALLOW INDIVIDUALS TO REVIEW THE PARTICIPANTS WHO RAISED THEIR HAND)

Please remember our 7th tradition which helps us manage our expenses. Please contribute through Venmo to the username @serenityandservice or send check or cash to Patty Kraft, our treasurer. Details will be added to the chat window.

Please be attentive to the length of your share. Our group's conscience suggests three minutes and asks that you focus your share on AA's singleness of purpose.

On THURSDAY, (Beginners Meeting), persons with less than ONE YEAR of sobriety are encouraged to share first.

***** NOTE: As Chairperson, if the speaker does not show up, please ask if there is someone with over 90 days of continuous sobriety, who is willing to qualify. If no one volunteers, please ask for a "group conscience whether a "ROUND ROBIN", or if a LITERATURE MEETING is preferred.

***** NOTE: if you are using the SPEAKER EXCHANGE PROGRAM, please call to confirm your incoming speakers.

A.A. PREAMBLE©

Alcoholics Anonymous is a fellowship of people who share their experience, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism.

The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop drinking. There are no dues or fees for A.A. membership; we are self-supporting through our own contributions. A.A. is not allied with any sect, denomination, politics, organization or institution; does not wish to engage in any controversy, neither endorses nor opposes any causes. Our primary purpose is to stay sober and help other alcoholics to achieve sobriety.

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HOW IT WORKS

Rarely have we seen a person fail who has thoroughly followed our path. Those who do not recover are people who cannot or will not completely give themselves to this simple program, usually men and women who are constitutionally incapable of being honest with themselves. There are such unfortunates. They are not at fault; they seem to have been born that way. They are naturally incapable of grasping and developing a manner of living which demands rigorous honesty. Their chances are less than average. There are those, too, who suffer from grave emotional and mental disorders, but many of them do recover if they have the capacity to be honest.

Our stories disclose in a general way what we used to be like, what happened, and what we are like now. If you have decided you want what we have and are willing to go to any length to get it — then you are ready to take certain steps.

At some of these we balked. We thought we could find an easier, softer way. But we could not. With all the earnestness at our command, we beg of you to be fearless and thorough from the very start. Some of us have tried to hold on to our old ideas and the result was nil until we let go absolutely.

Remember that we deal with alcohol — cunning, baffling, powerful! Without help it is too much for us. But there is One who has all power — that One is God. May you find Him now!

Half measures availed us nothing. We stood at the turning point. We asked His protection and care with complete abandon.

Here are the steps we took, which are suggested as a program of recovery:

1. We admitted we were powerless over alcohol — that our lives had become unmanageable.
2. Came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
3. Made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God *as we understood Him*.
4. Made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. Admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. Were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
7. Humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
8. Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.

(OVER)

9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
10. Continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
11. Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God *as we understood Him*, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.
12. Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to alcoholics, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

Many of us exclaimed, "What an order! I can't go through with it." Do not be discouraged. No one among us has been able to maintain anything like perfect adherence to these principles. We are not saints. The point is, that we are willing to grow along spiritual lines. The principles we have set down are guides to progress. We claim spiritual progress rather than spiritual perfection.

Our description of the alcoholic, the chapter to the agnostic, and our personal adventures before and after make clear three pertinent ideas:

- (a) That we were alcoholic and could not manage our own lives.
- (b) That probably no human power could have relieved our alcoholism.
- (c) That God could and would if He were sought.

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