

SERVICE, Quote #1

Everything that occurs in the course of NA service must be motivated by the desire to more successfully carry the message of recovery to the addict who still suffers (Basic Text, Introduction).

SERVICE, Quote #2

Service changes our relationship to our own lives. We learn to put love & gratitude into action, and when we mobilize our good feelings they have a way of spreading through all our affairs (*Living Clean*, Chapter 7, “Being of Service”).

SERVICE, Quote #3

Service helps us feel like we belong. We have a place and a purpose. The experience can be humbling. Doing as the group asks, rather than as we choose, is a form of surrender. (*Guiding Principles*, Tradition One).

SERVICE, Quote #4

When we engage in selfless service, we find that all of the principles we have come to love and learn are called upon. It isn't easy to get out of our own way, but that is precisely what frees us from our self-made prisons (*Living Clean*, Chapter 3, “Spirituality in Action”).

SERVICE, Quote #5

Everything we do to help an addict get the message is service. Service begins when we put ourselves aside and welcome the newcomer. That simple action might be the most important thing we ever do (*Guiding Principles*, Tradition Two).

SERVICE, Quote #6

We learn who we are precisely when we forget ourselves in service to others (*Living Clean*, Chapter 2, “Connection to a Higher Power”).

SERVICE, Quote #7

Service gives us opportunities to grow in ways that touch all parts of our lives (Basic Text, Chapter 9, “Just for Today—Living the Program”).

SERVICE, Quote #8

Just as making amends teaches us to be more forgiving, selfless service brings generosity, compassion, and awareness of purpose (*Guiding Principles*, Tradition Two).