Tried AA/Treatment before but relapsed? More than once?

Why do you think it didn't work?

## **3 REASONS FOR FAILURE**

- 1- Cannot- mentally unable to be honest (pg-58)
- 2- Will Not- (un-willing) to Admit-Do think they are hopeless (pg30) OR (un-willing) to accept O,S,U,P about God (p48)
- 3- Wasn't properly presented with info of the Problem & Solution

Properly presented THE material-, (pgxxviii par 2) depth & weight

Properly presented by a "qualified" mentor, (pg 18) ex-problem drinker

3 Pertinent Ideas- A, B & C pg 60

Step 1 is to concede alcoholic

Pg60- Description of Alcoholic-

First 4 chapters, 33% of 1st portion,

"Description" details powerlessness-me(A), & Hopelessness (B)- beyond human aid-This is what we are conceding

Step 2 is to believe or willing to believe God can/will restore our sanity- problem centers in mind, not body "insanity of first drink", (C) Relieve our alcoholism

Summary = Presented properly you can evaluate yourself to 1-admit the problem, 2- accept the solution by seeing it having worked in another alcoholic

1- Admit, 2- Accept = Based on knowledge

Roland (pg26) told hopeless & admitted, then sought solution

Dr Bob- (pxvi) Needed info and saw proof in Bill

This is how AA works, "Basis, 1,2,3" (pgxxv) Roland to Ebby, Ebbie to Bill, Bill to Dr. Bob

Case 1- (pxxxi, 1st par)

Case 2- (2<sup>nd</sup> par)

Bill- Pg XVI- Learned from Doc grave nature, couldn't ACCEPT all but must have been the right ones!

Bill is a great example of struggling with both admitting hopelessness (even after being presented info from the doc) & Acceptance of the solution (pg7 1<sup>st</sup> par thru top of pg 13)

Less than 6mo who has no mentor, has not or is not doing the work, then honestly ask yourself why?

Don't think im a REAL alcoholic? Maybe can still "control and enjoy it someday?

Have a problem with the God idea? This is all AA has to offer as a solution

Have you honestly exhausted yourself of all possible solutions to prove yourself hopeless?