FIFTH EDITION

The Fifth Edition of the Basic Text was released in January, 1989.

FIFTH EDITION CHANGES FROM FOURTH EDITION

Page, paragraph and sentence references can be found in the Fifth Edition.

Page ii, Line 6--added "R"

Page ii, Line 9--added "R"

Page ii, Line 12--added "Working Step Four in Narcotics Anonymous (I.P. #10)"

Page ii, Line 24--added "Staying Clean on the Outside (I.P. #23)"

Page ii, Line 25--added " 'Hey! What's the Basket For?' (I.P. #24)"

Page v, line 7--deleted "?"

Page v, line 11--typo, "Why" changed to "What"

Page ix, paragraph 3, line 8--added "Probably the last to be lost to freedom will be the stigma of being an addict."

Page xiii, paragraph 4, line 2--changed "in" to "to"

Page 10, paragraph 5, line 4--changed "..., we found ourselves among a very special group of people who shared their experience." to "..., we found ourselves among a very special group of people who have suffered like us and found recovery."

Page 10, paragraph 5, line 5--change "We found hope for ourselves." to "In their experiences, freely shared, we found hope for ourselves."

Page 20, paragraph 5, line 10--add "Most of us are relieved to find out we have a disease instead of a moral deficiency."

Page 35, paragraph 1, line 8--change "...honestly tried to be ourselves." to "...discovered who we really are. To be truly humble is to accept and honestly try to be ourselves."

Page 41, paragraph 5, line 3--add "...and what part we might have played in any problems which occurred."

Page 53, paragraph 2, lines 7-9--added "using. We may fear rejection from our friends if we get clean. These feelings are common to the addict seeking recovery. We could be suffering from"

Page 55, paragraph 2, line 1--delete "important and"

Page 56, paragraph 1, line 2--replace "helpful to say" with "this help that says"

Page 63, Tradition 4, paragraph 2, lines 3-4--add " '...self-government...undertaken or carried on without outside control.' This means our groups are"

Page 64, Tradition 4, paragraph 2, lines 9-10--add "; if we do not dictate to other groups, or force anything upon them; and"

Page 77, paragraph 2, lines 8-10--add "ego, lust or false pride. We don't like to be wrong. Our egos tell us that we can do it on our own"

Page 80, paragraph 2, line 1--add "all"

Page 80, paragraph 2, lines 4-5--change "eased. Recovering addicts have" to "lessened. Members of the fellowship are willing to help a relapser recover and"

Page 80, paragraph 2, line 6--add "when asked"

Page 84, paragraph 3, line 6--add "man's entire"

Page 91, paragraph 3, line 6--add "There is a spirit or an energy that can be felt in the meetings."

Page 91, paragraph 3, line 7--change from "is a" to "sometimes the"

Page 93, paragraph 5, line 2--replace "daily inventory that allows" with "daily inventory. Our inventory".

Page 95, paragraph 2, line 5--add "own"

Page 99, paragraph 2, line 6--add "You'd be surprised how much pain we can handle without medication. In this program of total abstinence, however,"

Page 99, paragraph 2, line 9--delete "however" after the word "guilt"

Page 100, paragraph 4, line 5--add "had"