- 1) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided not to conform to the AA principles of recovery?
- 2) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's now believe that their life and the life of other AA members are not dependent upon obedience to spiritual principles?
- 3) Are the struggles for wealth, power, and prestige tearing the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's apart from AA members and groups as a whole?
- 4) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's living in the principles of the 12 Traditions so that they will be unified with AA members and groups for as long as God needs them?
- 5) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's bringing sick and careless behavior to AA members and groups that creates disunity and fear with them?
- 6) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's participating or creating uproars with AA members and groups?
- 7) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's bringing brotherhood, harmony, and love with clear insights and practices to AA members and their groups?
- 8) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's see themselves as they are, through relating rightly to God, AA members, and groups?
- 9) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's believe that if they continue to threaten unity with AA members and groups, by their actions, they will become separated from AA members, then disturbed, and then drunk?
- 10)Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's believe their individual conduct that separates them from AA members and groups will lead to a beating from alcohol?

- 1) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's express God in their lives to AA members and groups?
- 2) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's experienced that God as their sole authority works?
- 3) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's believe their experience in AA justifies them keeping a firm hand on AA members and their groups?
- 4) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's ever try, or have a sense to try and govern or direct AA members and groups?
- 5) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's honestly see their place, with AA members and groups, as servants?
- 6) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's made the discovery that being in General Service means I'm more of a servant to other AA members and groups, and not a senator?
- 7) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's convinced AA members and groups can't get along without them? ("recovery begins when one alcoholic shares with another their experience, strength, and hope.")

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- 8) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's trying to drive AA members and groups by mandate?
- 9) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's trying to lead AA members and groups by example?
- 10) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's believe healing drunks by spirituality is crazy and won't work?

- 11) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's trying to be self-appointed managers of AA members and groups?
- 12) Is it tough, for the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's to take, that the Ultimate Authority must speak through the AA groups and its members?
- 13) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's, believe that God, speaking to the conscience of AA members and groups to be the final authority?
- 14) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's depend upon a Power greater than themselves?
- 15) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's found that a God of their understanding is not only a source of strength, but also a source of positive direction?
- 16) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's certain that there is but one ultimate authority, 'a loving God as He may express Himself in my conscience'?
- 17) How can a "NON" God express Himself though a group conscience of NON believers [atheists &/or agnostics?

- 1) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's believe AA members, groups and their own sobriety, would be, and is better without God?
- 2) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's believe God is everything or that he is nothing?
- 3) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's see the essence of their alcoholic malady is the fact that they have been unable to conform to either the laws of man or God?

- 1) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's see that they, AA groups and members have the autonomy to manage their affairs exactly as they please, except when AA members and groups are threatened?
- 2) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's strictly rely on their own God-Conscience as a guide to action?
- 3) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's found the necessity of not doing anything which would greatly injure an AA member?
- 4) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's believe they are qualified to run AA members and groups?
- 5) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's accept that an AA member can try for sobriety in anyway they like?
- 6) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's accept that an AA member or group could disagree with any or all of AA's principles and still call themselves an AA member?
- 7) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's experience the authority of God, our Father, when he simply says, "I'm waiting for you to do my will?"
- 8) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's experience the authority of alcohol when he says, "You had better do God's will or I will kill you?
- 9) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's experience the level of these two authorities, God and booze, just like other AA members and groups, which is a death sentence that hangs over them?
- 10) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's taken actions based in anarchy and/or sheer license with AA members and groups?
- 11) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's no longer say to themselves, "I am responsible to no other authority than my own God-Conscience?

- 1) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to no longer experience unity with AA members and groups by practicing the principle of Tradition Five, carrying the AA message?
- 2) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided that the AA message is no longer a cure for alcoholism?
- 3) Despite having had the experience of a cure for alcoholism in our AA message (see Preface of Alcoholics Anonymous), do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's no longer feel bound to devote themselves to the relief of alcoholism through our AA message?
- 4) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to stop insisting that few alcoholics ever get well on their own steam when carrying the AA message?
- 5) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided that spirituality is no longer the main key to sobriety?
- 6) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to stop talking to AA members and groups about the one idea only, sobriety, and engage in multiple ideas such as, religion, ethnicity, gender, age, sexual preferences, occupations, and so forth?
- 7) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided that they are obligated to explain religious/spiritual grounds to AA members?
- 8) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to no longer embrace their one single purpose, to carry the AA message (pages 1-164 in the Big Book, as stated in the 3rd Edition Book Covers), alcoholics, and AA members who are still suffering?
- 9) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided they no longer believe in the life and death consequences of alcoholism by diverting from their primary purpose?
- 10) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's collectively decided that they no longer live today by the Grace of God?
- 11)Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's even know what the AA message is? Or are there as many messages as there are those serving in the entire General Service Conference?

- 1) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided that their experience with the AA program qualifies them to resolve the differences between religion, spirituality, atheism and agnosticism among AA members and groups around the world?
- 2) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided that their experience in AA might prove to AA members and groups a new spiritual advance through atheism and agnosticism?
- 3) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to no longer share their way of life with everyone, and deny their conscience contact with God, which has brought them within reach of their highest expectations?
- 4) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to link the AA message to alcoholic education, rehabilitation, religious, or antireligious/spiritual program?
- 5) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided they need to tell AA members and groups about medicine, religion, psychiatry, research,

- rehabilitation, education, therapy groups, gambling, divorce, delinquency, drug addiction or mental illness, and how they should live?
- 6) Have Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided, despite their own experience, to no longer accept the paradox: 'The more we stick to our primary purpose, the greater will be our helpful influence everywhere?

1) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided it is no longer grandiose to share their ideas about hospitals, research, rehabilitation, religion/spirituality, atheism/agnosticism, and education, with AA members and groups?

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- 1) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided it to issue directives to AA members and groups, as well as make them stick?
- 2) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to ignore the clear difference between the spirit of vested authority and the spirit of service?
- 3) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to dictate to AA members and groups through subsequent literature to our Big Book, the only AA Recovery Program?
- 4) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided, as a sober members of AA, to no longer operate with AA members and groups, by the spirit of service and true fellowship (Fellowship of the Spirit)?
- 5) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to behave towards AA members and groups as though they have all authority there is?
- 6) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to no longer trust and rely upon their God-Consciousness to decree the terms upon which they serve AA members and groups?
- 7) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided that the voice of their God-Conscience is the true voice for AA members and groups?
- 8) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's become convinced that AA members and groups can't get along without them? ("recovery begins when one alcoholic shares with another their experience, strength, and hope.") Foreword to the 3rd Edition of the Big Book

- 1) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to divide themselves from AA members and groups by major controversial issues, especially by disseminating them through subsequent conferenceapproved literature?
- 2) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to initiate and engage in heated religious, political, or reform arguments with AA members and groups?
- 3) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to fight with AA members and groups to feel superior to them? (i.e. the inverted pyramid, every perceived general service promotion, is in reality a demotion in to greater servitude)
- 4) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to use politics in their struggle for power over AA members and groups? (i.e. Inverted Pyramid)

- 5) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided they no longer survive by having spiritual faith, and will no longer make this way of life open to AA members or groups who are presently atheists/agnostics?
- 6) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to deny their experience with the fact that God has bestowed great favors on them and other AA members and groups?
- 7) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided they no longer believe they'll die if they engage in religious dissension and political controversy with AA members and groups?
- 8) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to no longer ask God for the wisdom and fortitude to sustain an unbreakable unity with AA members and groups?

- 1) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to deny their responsibility of being an active guardian of our AA Recovery Program, including our 36 basic spiritual principles, for AA members and groups?
- 2) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided success will no longer rest heavily upon right principles, wise vigilance, and the deepest personal responsibility on their part to AA members and groups?
- 3) Are the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's no longer willing to say the following to AA members and groups: "Greetings and welcome, be assured that we shall never weaken the lifelines which we float out to you. In our public and AA relations we shall, God willing, keep the faith."?

- 1) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to act like a selfappointed messiahs of AA before AA members and groups?
- 2) Do the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's obey the Traditions because they have to?
- 3) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided to separate themselves and lose their standing in AA if by not obeying the Traditions?
- 4) Have the Trustees, Area Delegates, and DCM's decided that it is no longer wise and right to obey the Traditions?