## TWELVE STEPS TO A SLIP

Every slip has a beginning. Know your danger signals.

- 1. Start missing meetings for any reason, real or imaginary.
- 2. Become critical of the methods used by other members who may not agree with you in everything.
- 3. Nurse the idea that someday, somehow, you can eat like 'normal people' again.
- 4. Let the other members do the 12th step work in your group. You are too busy.
- 5. Become conscious of your OA "seniority" and view every member with a skeptical eye.
- 6. Become so pleased with your own views of the program that you consider yourself an authority.
- 7. Start a small clique within your own group, composed of only a few members who see eye to eye with you.
- 8. Tell the new member in confidence that you yourself do not take ALL of the 12 steps seriously.
- 9. Let your mind dwell more and more on how much you are helping others, rather than on how much the OA program is helping you.
- 10. If an unfortunate member has a slip, drop them at once.
- 11. Graduate to the point of no longer needing a sponsor yourself.
- 12. Look upon a food plan as a vital thing for new members, but not for yourself. You outgrew the need for that long ago.