

## **RDG Board of Directors**

Reply to Community Motion from A. Thomas T.

[Motion to the RDG Board of Directors: To Officially Endorse the Reordered Inquiries as the Recommended Default for New Participants](#)

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We recognize the importance of alternative and trauma-informed approaches to inquiry practice and appreciate the community work that has developed several different reordered versions of the inquiry questions.

Whether or not to reorder the questions was a major discussion throughout the development of the Inquiry Workbook. Ultimately, the decision was to match the questions to the book, but to encourage flexibility in the Introduction:

“Recovery Dharma recognizes that healing from addiction is often intertwined with healing from these broader forms of suffering. We encourage you to adapt the practices and inquiries in this workbook in ways that support your personal healing and growth.”  
(from the Introduction of the *Recovery Dharma Inquiry Workbook*)

Officially reordering the Inquiries presents greater problems around how the book is structured. Reordering the Inquiries points to reordering sections of the book, and thus the Four Noble Truths and the Eightfold Path. While the Path is not linear, we do not feel emboldened to rewrite the Dharma. We feel that the

overall solution will be to rewrite the original inquiries with more approachable language with the next edition of the book.

The Board is also aware that several reordered versions of the inquiry questions exist. We will make these question sets prominently available as alternative pathways and encourage their use where appropriate. We agree that the Eugene Reordered Inquiries should be easily available on our website along with other community versions.

We added the Eugene Reordered Inquiries to the Wise Friends and Mentors page of our website ahead of the Workbook release, and are actively working on a Community Library to house this and other resources. The RDG Communications Committee will review and revise the lost Inquiries page of the Recovery Dharma website before reconnecting it to the Resources menu.

The RDG Board of Directors commits to continual review of our materials in service of the Recovery Dharma community, to improve and expand our materials to support newcomers, and to promote sustainable recovery practices for all.