# CHARACTER DEFECTS

# Selfishness

- Not seeing the other person's point of view, problems, or needs
- · Wanting things my way
- Wanting special treatment
- Wanting others to control or dominate
- Thinking I am better (grandiosity)
- · Wanting to be the best
- Thinking others are jealous
- Wanting others to be like me
- · Being miserly or possessive
- Wanting more than my share
- Reacting from self-loathing / selfrighteousness
- Too concerned about me, my needs, my wants
- Trying to control how people think of / perceive me (image management)
- Wanting to look good or be liked

# Dishonest

- Not seeing or admitting where I am at fault
- Having a superior attitude think I am better
- Blaming others for my problems
- Not admitting where I have done the same
- Not expressing feelings or ideas
- Lying, cheating, stealing
- Hiding reality not facing facts
- Stubbornly holding onto inaccurate beliefs
- Breaking rules
- Lying to myself
- Exaggerate or minimize stories, thoughts, etc.
- Setting myself up to be harmed / wronged
- Expecting others to be what they are not
- Being perfectionistic

# Self-Seeking

- Seeking myself in others
- Getting my value from other people's behaviour
- · Manipulating others to do my will
- Putting others down internally or externally to build myself up
- Engaging in character assassination (gossip)
- Acting superior
- · Acting to fill the void
- Engaging in gluttony or lusting after someone else's experience
- · Ignoring others' needs
- Trying to control others
- Getting revenge when I did not get what I wanted
- · Holding on to a resentment
- · Acting to make me feel good
- · Playing victim, protector, or saviour

# Frightened of

- · People's opinions
- Rejection / abandonment
- Loneliness
- · Physical injury / abuse
- Not being able to control / change something / someone
- My inferiority
- Criticism
- Expressing ideas / feelings
- Getting trapped
- · Exposure, embarrassment

#### Inconsiderate

- Not considering the other person's point of view, problems, or needs
- Have you considered that...
- Am I treating myself with respect