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### **Search For Significance**

You have the opportunity for a "perspective changing" small group that will get 2021 off to a great start!

Pastor Derek will be leading this new small group study. It starts Thursday the 14th @7PM. Contact P-Derek for details derekw75@gmail.com.

### **G2** - Classes Starting Up

This is one of the best ways to get connected at DFC. A small group that focuses on your spiritual journey. Starts 1/3 Sundays @ 9am Conference Room

#### The Armor of God

This small group is a great way to learn how to pray effectively. Contact Donna Hough. Starts 1/10 Sundays @ 8:30am - Theatre Room

ometimes when you've had a series of disappointing things happen, you can get in the habit of expecting more of what you already have.

I used to be like that. My motto was, "If you don't expect anything good to happen, then you won't be disappointed when it doesn't."

But this isn't how God wants us to live! Then one morning, I was standing in the bathroom and I remember noticing this evil presence around me. It wasn't new...I realized I had always felt it. It made me think, What bad thing is going to happen next?



I asked God what this feeling was. He spoke to my heart and said, "Evil forebodings."

Later, I found Proverbs 15:15, which says, All the days of the desponding and afflicted are made evil [by anxious thoughts and forebodings], but he who has a glad heart has a continual feast [regardless of circumstances] (AMPC).

Once I read this verse, I realized what it meant. An 'evil foreboding" is the fear of something bad happening when nothing was going wrong.

Then I looked back and saw how it affected me at different times in the past...

That's exactly what Satan wants you to do. He wants you to expect something bad and to become fearful of the "what ifs."

Fear is the opposite of faith, and it takes faith to accept anything good in our lives.

When I was expecting something bad to happen, my expectation was from Satan. If we are not careful, this expectation will open the door to Satan's evil plans for our lives by waiting for bad things.

But when we expect good things, we open the door to God's plans (see Lamentations 3:25).



## **January Events**

**3rd-** Sunday Service 10AM - inside (benevolence) DFC Online Weekly 10:15am. G2 @ 9am

9th - Men's Breakfast 8AM @ DFC

**10th -** Sunday Service 10AM -inside (communion)Armor of God 8:30am & G2 9:00am

**13th -** 10am-12pm Food Pantry

13th - Hearing Heart group 6:30pm

**14th** -Search for Significance Small Group w/ P-Derek 7pm

**16th** - Women's Breakfast 9AM- DFC

**17th-** Sunday Service 10AM-(*missions*) Armor of God 8:30am & G2 9:00am

**21st** -Search for Significance Small Group w/ P-Derek 7pm

**23rd** -10am-12pm Food Pantry

**24th -** Sunday Service 10AM-(*salvation*) Armor of God 8:30am & G2 9:00am

**27th -** 10am-12pm Food Pantry

27th -Hearing Heart group 6:30

**28th** -Search for Significance Small Group w/ P-Derek 7pm

**31st -** Sunday Service 10AM-Armor of God 8:30am & G2 9:00am



Pastors Shawn & Julie Harnish Let us know if you need

anything. Reach out!

# **Ministry Spotlight**

**CARE CUPBOARD** - Is an important part of the DFC Cares 4 Me effort. It helps to meet the needs of underserved people in our community. The cupboard offers personal care and household items that are not covered by SNAP or our food pantry.

The need for this service became real to DFC this Fall when a 45 year old man who was out of work stopped by the church for help. He was in desperate need of a toothbrush, deodorant, underwear, and socks. Through our conversation, it was also learned that he was more than willing to work but had no transportation and had been laid off from the last two jobs due to cutbacks. Through community contacts, an interview was arranged and the man obtained local employment.

Unlike the man in our story, not everyone is destitute but everyone who asks DFC for help has a serious need. Unfortunately, social services or area food pantries are not able to help people in all situations. Pantries do not always have personal or household items and may have limited hours. Social Services' SNAP (formerly Food Stamps) program does not provide for personal and household items; their emergency assistance is not



always available to all people in need; and, regular assistance takes 45 days to grant.

DFC is able to offer a Christian response to "the least of our brothers and sisters" 6 days a week. A wish list is available at the Care Cupboard display in the reception area and through the DFC website. Donations may be dropped off at the display. Please direct monetary donations to the DFC office and mark the check memo line "Care Cupboard". Thank you.

Are you or someone you know in need of some basic hygiene items? Call to make an appointment with Julie Flanagan, BSW today 585-447-2266

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