

Mark Your Calendar

Monthly Golf Fellowship

begins May 27th
T-times at 1:00 pm

The Rise Golf Course

\$80.00
Includes:
Cart, 18 holes golf, burger
and beer

Great day of golf & fellowship

Next dates for this event

June 24th
July 29th
August 26th
September 23rd

Weekly Group Meetings

8 week Courageous movie study continues weekly

Thursday Night
7-8:30pm
Lower Roots
Darren Bezanson
(250) 938-1809

Friday Morning
6:30-7:45am
Lower Roots
Darren Kroeker
(250) 545-3853

Saturday Morning
8-10am
The Arbour
Peter Pogue
(250) 549-8109

If you are interested in
talking to Bill further
about the
Outreach Program

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Listening Has Its Advantages

“The antidote to frustration is a calm faith, not in your own cleverness, or in hard toil, but in God's guidance.” - Norman Vincent Peale

Have you ever been in a situation that holds you, pulls at you and sends your mind and heart into turmoil? When you look into the pros and cons, they seem to balance each other, or you find a new twist as to why you should go this way and not that way? Only to have it flip back on you, leaving you wondering what is the best course of action? It can be the most frustrating experience and leave you wondering what you should do. How do I find the best solution for this scenario, how do I climb over this wall that seems to be surrounding me, and no matter where I turn I find myself staring at the wall. Does this sound like a situation you have found yourself in? It has for me, and just recently.

I found myself staring at this giant wall in front of me, wondering, how will I figure this out? How am I going to make the right choice and do what is best? On one hand, my current situation had a rocky start, and was leaving me frustrated, so I was seeking a new direction and path. The new path that arose was very inviting and looked to be the best path for me to evaluate and begin a new journey. It all felt good, had a lot of good information and a very positive feel to it. As I looked more and more into this journey, the path I was on came into focus. The rough start now had been smoothed over somewhat and a new foundation was being formed. Looking down my old path, I saw many advantages to staying the course I was on, soon I found myself at a crossroad. What to do, how was I to make a choice that made sense and would benefit me the most. I was becoming frustrated and felt like I was losing my mind trying to put all the information together to make sense.

Then it hit me, the key element to my frustration was simple. My main focus was “I”. How was “I” going to make the right choice, and what was right for me. I had been so blindsided by my “I” focus that I was neglecting the most important thing in my life. Seeking God first and asking Him for direction (**Hebrews 11:6 ...anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him**) Now I was seeking God on a daily basis for direction, only to fall away from His direction when I turned my focus from Him to me. In doing so, I missed all the things He had to say and what was best for me. I thought I knew, I thought I was getting all the right information for “MY PLANS”, only to find myself in a pool of frustration, slowly sinking. I felt like Peter walking on water, trusting God, only to soon find myself sinking because I began to notice what was going on around me. I don't seek God to be sheltered from what is going on around me; I seek His direction as to how to face all that is going on around me. It is easy for us to seek a new direction when the road we're on becomes a little bumpy. We have to face the bumpy roads at times and this becomes our learning with God, other times we do need to make a change. When we do find ourselves in need of a change, seek God and His direction. God does adjust our lives, we just have to have a deep connection with Him and be ready for what ever comes our way. I am thankful I have a relationship with God to show me the way, I am happy to say I'm seeking Him closely once again, I was able to find my way and feel good about my own journey with God.

Darren Bezanson

Looking to Hand Over the Reigns.....Men's Outreach Dinners

It all started by a challenge from Bob Hess during the Saturday Men's Group meeting to give back to our community. The idea came forward to serve a full course meal once a month to the homeless and less fortunate. Over the last 8 years with the help of many dedicated volunteers, we have served over 10,000 full course meals at the Salvation Army. Our funding came from donations, God always provided us with all we needed. My time as leader in this program has given me more than I have given to this mission. It taught me how to see the need of others in a different light and it changed my life forever. My request to you men is to pray for this mission since I have decided to step aside as leader and hope that a few men with a big heart will take the responsibility to continue this worthy cause. I will be involved in a lesser capacity.

Bill Admiraal