Can my doubts strengthen my faith?

15 God in control?



# DOUBT



What do I do When I have doubts?

Jan. 23, 2022

# What's Happening at Calvary

#### **NEXT STEPS**

**Starting Point:** For those exploring faith, new to faith or returning to church ... new sessions begin February 6, 9:30am. Pre-register at <u>calvarychurch.org/startingpoint.</u>

**Discover Calvary:** For those exploring Calvary Church . . . join us on Sunday, February 13, in the Chapel. Choose either 9:30 or 11:00am. Senior Pastor Beau Eckert will provide insight into who we are, where we're going and how we all fit together. Register online at <a href="mailto:calvarychurch.org/discover">calvarychurch.org/discover</a>.

**Baptism Class:** Have you been baptized since you've became a believer? Join us for the next class to be held Sunday, February 13, 11:00am, in Room 359. Register at <u>calvarychurch.org/baptism</u>.

**Kid's Church:** In the 11:00am service, kids in K-4 will be dismissed prior to the message.

**Baby Bottle Boomerang:** We are partnering with Align Life Ministries through their Baby Bottle Boomerang campaign! Starting this Sunday, January 23, you can pick up a baby bottle in the lobby to fill with cash or checks. Over the next three weeks, drop off your bottle(s) in the church lobby (deadline: Feb 13). To give online, visit <u>calvarychurch.org/bbb</u>. Thank you for helping parents choose life for their children.

**Calvary Kids:** Have you been thinking about joining the Calvary Kids team? Now is the time to check it out. Serve lovingly with kids under age five during the 9:30 or 11:00 hours, or build a relationship with a 3rd grader as a small group leader at 9:30. Contact Sharon at <a href="mailto:ssmith@calvarychurch.org">ssmith@calvarychurch.org</a> or stop by a Connection Center.

**Pastoral & Chaplain Team Visits:** Because of HIPAA privacy regulations, we may not be informed of your hospitalization (especially if admitted through the ER). Please inform the church office of any hospitalization, so we can arrange a visit by the hospital visitation team at Calvary.

**Weddings at Calvary:** Please note that we need a minimum of 6 months to complete pre-marital counseling which is required for couples who are married at Calvary Church. For information please read the material at <u>calvarychurch.org/weddings</u>. We look forward to partnering with you through pre-marital counseling, as God prepares you for a strong, life-long marriage.

**2022 Calvary Family Prayer Guides** are now available at the Connection Centers.

**Offering Envelopes for 2022** are available in the lobby across from the Chapel. If you no longer use numbered envelopes or would like to start, please call the church office.

**Weather Closings and Delays:** Our primary means of communication is by phone (717-405-3844) or website (calvarychurch.org, look for the alert bar). Information will also be posted at <a href="mailto:facebook.com/calvarychurchpa">facebook.com/calvarychurchpa</a> and <a href="mailto:twitter.com/calvarychurchpa">twitter.com/calvarychurchpa</a>. On Sundays and Wednesdays, information will also be announced on WDAC 94.5 FM, WJTL 90.3 FM and WGAL TV.

# We're so glad you've joined us today!

We hope you have been warmly welcomed by the Calvary family. We pray God uses this service to inspire and equip you on your journey of PURSUING LIFE IN CHRIST!

If there is any way we can serve you, please let us know.

#### PRAYING FOR ONE ANOTHER

LGH: Amos King, Ted McCoy, Tim Van Schoik

Robert Hughes and family in the homegoing of his wife, Esther Hughes, January 12.

Greg & Marty Imes and family in the homegoing of his father, Donald Imes, January 12.

## **THIS WEEK**

# Sunday

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am—Worship Services, Main Auditorium and Live Stream (9:30, 11:00)

# Tuesday

9:30am—Study & Share Women's Bible Study

7:00pm—Grace & Hope Addiction Recovery Group

7:00pm—Faithful & True Meeting (call Randy to connect, 717-314-9114)

7:30pm—C4 Young Adult Gathering, Main Auditorium

# Wednesday

3-4:30pm—Loss of Spouse Support Group

4:45-6:15pm—Family Meal (entrée: Mozzarella Meatball Marinara Subs)

\$5 individual, \$3 child 4-11 years, \$15 family maximum

6:30pm—Global & Family Prayer, Chapel

6:30pm— Student Ministries, Discovery Clubs, Support Groups, Men's Bible Study, Women's Bible Studies: Study & Share, Lazos (Spanish)

6:45pm—Worship Ministries Rehearsals

Thursday, January 27—Office will close at Noon

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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(Week 29, January 16)	General	Global	Building	Combined	
Weekly Goal	103,850	40,850	13,150	157,850	
Received	89,537	29,143	6,202	124,882	
Received YTD	3,566,981	1,123,584	296,649	4,987,214	
Budget YTD	3,011,650	1,184,650	381,350	4,577,650	

Financial summaries through Dec 31 are available at the Connection Centers.

**Did You Know?** Benevolence assistance is available to help members, regular attenders and others who are experiencing temporary financial challenges. Jesus encourages us to help one another and the early church made provision to do that effectively. We can assist with housing, transportation or medical-related expenses, among others. Applicants may be asked to meet with a financial counselor to review their financial situation. If you know of individuals or families who would qualify, please notify Angie Glick at <a href="mailto:aglick@calvarychurch.org">aglick@calvarychurch.org</a> and she will begin the process.

# When in Doubt

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What do we do when God seems distant and when we feel abandoned by Him and doubt His presence and goodness? What do we do with the doubts that are caused by difficult circumstance and unmet expectation? When in Doubt...

#### Psalm 13

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David.

1 How long, O LORD?

Will you forget me forever?

How long will you hide your face from me?

How long must I take counsel in my soul 2 and have sorrow in my heart all the day? How long shall my enemy be exalted over me?

3 Consider and answer me,

O LORD my God;

light up my eyes,

lest I sleep the sleep of death,

lest my enemy say,

"I have prevailed over him,"

lest my foes rejoice because I am shaken.

But I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation.

6 I will sing to the LORD,

because he has dealt bountifully with me. (ESV)

# Reflection questions:

- How can we learn to lament, to honestly share our frustrations and doubts with the Lord?
- With whom can you share in order to help each other refocus on the character of God when in doubt?

#### Recommendation

**Meditate** on Psalm 13 this week—take time to soak in the challenge and truth **Listen** to or watch Mark Farnum's sermon on Psalm 88 on calvarychurch.org/ psalm88.

#### Read

Mark Vroegop, Dark Clouds, Deep Mercy: Discovering the Grace of Lament Dane Ortlund, Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers



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