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Please send me more details on finding a personal relationship with God

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Are you in touch?

‘Twitter’, ‘Facebook’, ‘satellite navigation’, ‘Skype’, ‘WhatsApp’ —the ever-changing language of communication.

Never before has it been more sophisticated or accessible. It’s in everyone’s hand.

From the urgent news report to the birthday greetings for a distant relative, good communications are an essential feature of daily living.

But there is a form of communication which is vitally important and everyone can make use of it.



Security

With a phone in our hand we can be fairly certain we know where our children or our friends are and what they are doing. For older people a phone or an emergency bleep means that if anything happens they can call someone.

But can we sure they are alright, and are they as worried about me as I am about them?

In the midst of all the instability and anxiety of life we can find a real and lasting security through entering a personal relationship with Almighty God...

The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God... in whom I take refuge.

Psalms 18:2

Although there may be many ways to connect with people, there is only one way to ‘get right’ with God. His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, says...

I am the way and the truth, and the life. No-one comes to the Father except through me.

John 14:6

...and He gives us His 100% dependable Word.



Breakdown

We need to guard against identity theft, internet scams, as well as computer viruses and if we're to enjoy healthy personal relationships, honest and responsive communication is vital. It is required completely in the most important relationship of all, but sadly our disregard for God and His right to order the way we live has led to a complete breakdown of communication and our relationship with Him. God says...

...your iniquities have separated you from your God; your sins have hidden his face from you, so that he will not hear. Isaiah 59:2

We need to take an honest look at ourselves...

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

1 John 1:8

...and the consequences are deadly serious...

...people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment.

Hebrews 9:27

Yet God's help is universally accessible by... 'knee-mail'!



Sacrifice

Many gifts are sent by post at Christmas and for birthdays, but the most important gift of all was when God sent His Son, Christ Jesus, to die for us on a wooden cross at Calvary.

For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God

1 Peter 3:18

Yet He doesn't impose Himself upon us. Just as a consignment may need to be re-routed at some point, so God calls us to 're-route' our lives away from all we know to be wrong.

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness

1 Peter 2:24

When we positively respond to all that God has done for us He opens a direct channel of communication and gives us a brand new start in life.

...if anyone is in Christ, that person is a new creation. The old has gone, the new is here!

2 Corinthians 5:17

Commitment

With intense competition and the pace of technological progress the communications industry demands high financial investment these days.

Yet the Lord Jesus Christ also asks all who would be His true followers to count the cost of their commitment.

Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it.

Luke 9:23-24

He promises His special friendship but only to those of us who will pay more than 'lip-service' to Him...

You are my friends if you do what I command.

John 15:14



Challenge

God 'communicated' His love for us as no one else could do at Calvary. For ...

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

And with everlasting significance...

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

Yet to ignore or reject Him would surely be unthinkable...

...whoever does not believe stands condemned already...

John 3:18

Why not use His 'helpline' today...

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Romans 10:13

