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security
ALERT!

Security Alert

From the days of the humble lock and key, public and personal security techniques have come a long way!

Whether it's credit card fraud or the threat of industrial espionage we've had to look to ever-advancing technology so as to stay ahead of those who would threaten our security.

Yet there's another aspect of life in which most of us remain seriously vulnerable...

despite all the practical arrangements we may have made...



Protection

We live in a dangerous and unpredictable world and therefore the security industry is big business. But even the most expensive and sophisticated measures can fail, placing us and our property at serious risk.

Of course, many have found from experience that the best protection is not subject to the limitations of man-made security systems...

For the LORD gives wisdom... and protects the way of his faithful ones.

Proverbs 2:6 & 8

...so that we can say...

The LORD is the stronghold of my life...

Psalms 27:1

Yet we'll never know the full extent of this protection until we enter into a personal relationship with God the Father, through His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, who says...

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

John 14:6

Surveillance

From shops to filling stations, banks to sports centres, security cameras are everywhere.

Though law abiding citizens have little to fear from these, there is however another form of surveillance that should fill each one of us with alarm...

Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Hebrews 4:13

That's because even the best of us fail to reach the standard God sets...

...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...

Romans 3:23

...the consequences of which are as serious as they come...

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

Hebrews 9:27

Thankfully, God has already put in place a way of escape...



Access

Identification tags and security codes are often essential if we're to get into industrial and commercial premises.

Access to God however has already been secured on our behalf. The Lord Jesus gave His life on the Cross of Calvary. God, in the form of man, took the penalty we deserve...

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

1 Peter 3:18

Of course the benefits of this aren't thrust upon us. We must be ready, with His help, to turn 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

...and in asking the risen Christ Jesus into our lives by His Spirit to become our Saviour and Lord, we're given a brand new start... with the motivation and power to live a new lifestyle, pleasing to Him...

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

2 Corinthians 5:17



Cost

For more and more of us, the purchasing of new security equipment is considered a sound investment. Though this may prove costly it's always better to be safe than sorry!

And it can be the same with our attitude to God. The Lord Jesus makes clear that it would be costly to become one of His true followers...

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...

Luke 9:23-24

Yet, to resist or reject Him, the consequences would be far worse than we could imagine... despite how much we think we know better...

There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death.

Proverbs 14:12

Alarm



The sound of an alarm can be a vital warning of approaching danger... alerting us to that which could pose a serious threat to our well-being.

In a similar way, God warns us that deadly peril lies ahead... but also promises 'security arrangements' beyond compare...

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 so many of us will still prefer to go into eternity simply 'hoping for the best'...

...whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

John 3:18

In the midst of our uncertainty and insecurity God reaches out to us in love and compassion... prompting us to ask ourselves...

...how shall we escape if we ignore such a great salvation?

Hebrews 2:3

The next step is yours!