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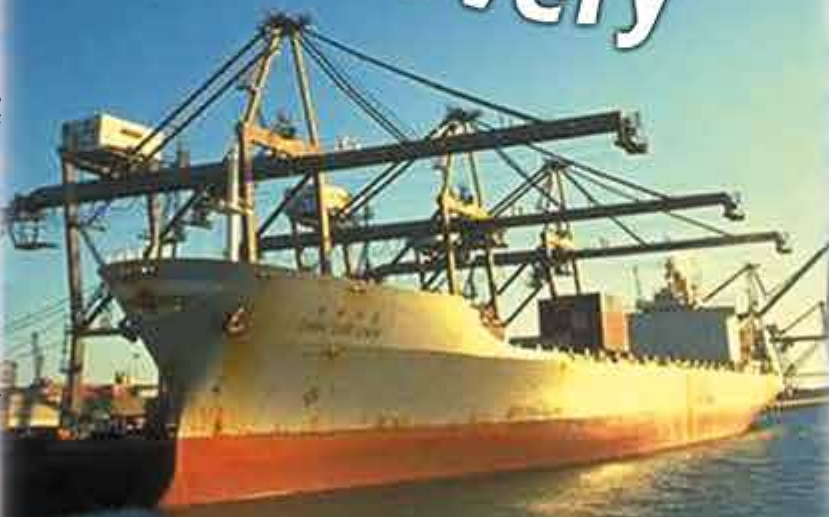
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Voyage of Discovery



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*I may be a naval rating, a fisherman
or a passenger on a cruise liner.
Home for me could be the western
world or the Far East.*

*But one thing is for sure, from a
winter cruise to a maritime career,
life aboard
ship can be
described as
a 'Voyage of
Discovery' in
more ways
than one...*

*...a bit like
life itself...*



Unexpected Danger

As we steer
our course
through daily
living much of
life is far from
'plain sailing'.
Accidents
and illness...
money worries
and the pain
of broken
relationships...
these are only
some of the
hidden dangers and unexpected hazards we try to
avoid. Yet in the midst of our struggles the
Lord Jesus Christ offers direction and peace...



*I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will
never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.*

John 8:12

*Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened,
and I will give you rest.*

Matthew 11:28

And even today He invites us to be 'put right' with
God the Father through entering into a personal
relationship...

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

John 14:6

Undeserved Hope

Down through the years the life of many a seafarer has been saved through heeding a warning light. Yet there is part of human nature which is attracted to the darker side of life...

Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.

John 3:19

...sexual immorality, impurity... hatred... jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition... envy; drunkenness...

Galatians 5:19-21

...with consequences as serious as they come...

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

Hebrews 9:27

Thankfully, God has put His rescue plan into operation...

Unconditional Rescue

Just as a foundering vessel needs to call upon others for help, so we need to admit our need and recognise all that's already been done for us...

You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.

Romans 5:6

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

1 Peter 3:18

But this isn't forced upon us. God calls us to seek His forgiveness, turn away from all we know to be wrong and ask the risen Christ Jesus into our lives to become our Saviour and Lord. In doing this we're given a brand new start... with the motivation and power to live a 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

...the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us...

Galatians 1:4

Unquestioning Loyalty

Even when the going gets really tough every seafarer is expected to show unquestioning loyalty to their captain.

In a similar way, the Lord Jesus Christ makes clear the cost expected of all who would be 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, but whoever loses their life for me will save it. What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, and yet lose or forfeit their very self?

Luke 9:23-25

...and He promises His special friendship...

Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you.

Hebrews 13:5



Unparalleled Peace

After a difficult and dangerous voyage there's nothing quite so reassuring as the safety of a harbour. And yet so many of us still prefer to go our own way rejecting the 'harbour' of God's love, mercy and care... and the promise of everlasting security...

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

Ignoring Him and His right to order our lives will leave us facing unthinkable peril...

Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but 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

As we reach out to Him, we'll find He's already reaching out to us!

