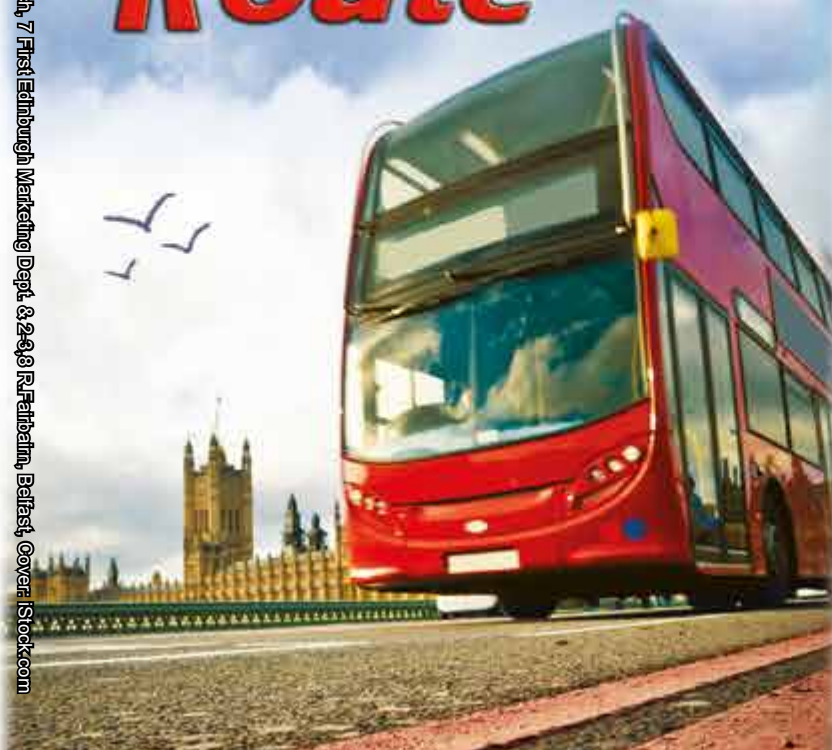




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The Right Route



MAKING THE JOURNEY



With more and more of our towns and cities becoming clogged with traffic, 'gridlock' is now an all too familiar term.

As pollution and frustration continue to increase, we're being encouraged to abandon the car in favour of the bus.

But whether we're a driver, an inspector or simply a humble passenger, we're already taking a one way journey... through life.

And just as in any bus journey it's vital to know where we're going, so it is with life... as we could so easily end up at the wrong place...



Planning the Journey

If a driver chooses to ignore their Journey Planner this could easily result in all kinds of problems! And therefore it's vitally important to follow the right route in order to reach our destination.

In the 'journey of life' we may think that simply doing our best to lead a decent life will put us 'right' with God and guarantee everlasting security. But our human nature has already set us on a disastrous detour...

...the wages of sin is death...

Romans 6:23

And this applies even to the best of us...

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

Romans 3:23

...with inescapable consequences...

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

Hebrews 9:27

Thankfully, in His mercy, God has planned another way...

For more information or help, please contact:

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

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The Cost of the Fare

We may believe that there are many 'routes' to God. But His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, says the very opposite...

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

John 14:6

And although we may think we can 'pay our own way' to heaven, this is totally impossible because...

...all our righteous acts are like filthy rags...

Isaiah 64:6

As the hymn-writer says, only Christ Jesus was 'good enough to pay the price of sin'. He gave His life taking the punishment we deserve...

While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8

Excess Baggage

Any journey is more difficult with too much baggage. In a similar way, to find a right relationship with God, we must 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



Receiving the Ticket

The offer of personal forgiveness and peace with God is available to us today. But we receive this only when, by faith, we ask the risen Christ Jesus into our lives to become our Saviour and Lord... placing our future in His hands and under His authority...

...to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God...

John 1:12

Changing Direction

Becoming a true Christian in this way, we're given a completely new start on life's journey... setting us in a new direction and with the power to live a new lifestyle... pleasing to God...

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

2 Corinthians 5:17



Staying on Board

This journey is not one which can be ended when the going gets hard. The Lord Jesus makes this clear to 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.

Luke 9: 23-24

But He also promises His constant and everlasting companionship...

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

Hebrews 13:5

The Promise of Arrival

Those of us who come into a right relationship with God in this way are not promised an easy journey through all the struggles of daily living. But we can be sure of a safe arrival...

...if you confess with your mouth 'Jesus is Lord', and believe in your heart God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10:9

...there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8:1

Checking the Timetable

So this is the challenge. Are we journeying through life simply hoping for the best? Or are we sure of a safe arrival at the right destination?

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

Remember, death is not a dead end, but a fork in the road...

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

Therefore, today is always the right time to 'get right' with God...

...now is the time of God's favour, now is the day of salvation.

2 Corinthians 6:2

