

CRISIS RELIGION



Nothing like a crisis to inspire folks to turn to religion.

When we feel powerless and bewildered...

"Maybe there is a God."

"Perhaps if I get religion I won't feel so lost."

Of course when the crisis is over, we shift quickly back to "normal."

After all, life goes on.

There are things to do, opportunities to seize.

Two facts:

1. The real Crisis never ends.

We live on the edge of the abyss every day of our lives.

Apart from the mercy of God we are all lost.

2. Religion is never the answer.

We can be religious in the extreme and never know God.

Jesus is not calling us to be religious.

He's calling us to follow him.

***“I am the light of the world; he who follows me
will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”***

John 8:12

Following Jesus is not a religion.

It is a life lived in fellowship with him.

He speaks, we listen.

He commands, we obey.

He promises, we believe.

He calls, we answer.

He sends, we go.



***“My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me;
and I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish,
and no one shall snatch them out of my hand.”***

John 10:27-28

Prayer: Lord, as we face crisis, disappointment, and despair and we need real lasting help...we look to you. We want to hear your voice and to be held safely in your hand. We want you...not a religion...not a church. They cannot fill the void and bring us the healing we need. Only you can help us, only you can heal us, only you can lead us away from the pit and into the light. Help us to always look for you, listen to you, and obey your holy, beautiful call...and we know that we will never have to face any crisis, any loss, any despair alone again. Amen.

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