HOPE
BEYOND FEAR

HOW YOU CAN FIND HOPE AND PEACE IN TIMES OF THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC
Due to the Corona virus we find ourselves in the biggest crisis since World War II.

In a time like this, when the entire world has been shaken by COVID-19, what can you do? How can you find real safety, security, peace of heart and mind and even hope?

That is what we want to share with you, a message of hope that you can confidently put your trust in and rely on.
HOPE IN TIMES OF FEAR

A few years ago, I was in the biggest crisis of my life. During a surgery a dramatic accident occurred. When I was informed of the incident I was scared. I wasn’t sure anymore if I would still be alive in a few days’ time or if I would have to sit in a wheelchair. In the midst of this difficult time I prayed to God and experienced his peace and strength.

In the middle of the Corona crisis you, too, can experience peace and hope through God’s presence.

To know God personally and to live in a relationship with him is the key for peace even in dark hours. There are many wonderful promises that God gives us. He wrote them in the Bible so we could read them. Let’s look at three promises right now.
A PROMISE OF SECURITY

Psalms tells us how we can still find peace and security in God during times like these.

You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.  

Psalm 91:5-6

The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

Psalm 27, 1
A PROMISE AGAINST FEAR OR ANXIETY EVEN IN A MOMENT LIKE THIS

God tells us through the Bible that “perfect love chases away fear” (1. John 4:18) and that “God is love” (1. John 4:8).

So in a time like this, it is so important that you know that there is a choice towards real hope, peace and security only found in God’s love and His promises. You do not need to be fearful right now, you can have hope, peace in your heart and peace with God.

HOW CAN YOU DO THIS?

God says through the Bible, that He loved the world so much that He sent His son Jesus to the earth to reconnect us in relationship and how us what God was really like.

If we look at the life of Jesus, he helped everyone that He met. He fed the hungry and healed the sick people, too. He shared the message of hope, love, and forgiveness to all mankind.
Jesus came to show us what God looked like and to connect humanity to a meaningful, hope filled relationship with the God of love.
A PROMISE OF A RELATIONSHIP
– THAT PRODUCES REAL HOPE, PEACE AND ENDLESS SECURITY

The greatest problem in the world is not Corona. Man separated himself from his creator and lost access to real hope, peace and security that is only found in relationship with God. That is the biggest problem.

God says clearly through the Bible that He loves you and He wants to have a personal, real, loving relationship with you, but you must make a choice for Jesus to have this relationship with God.
God has already performed the greatest act of love mankind has ever seen. 2,000 years ago, Jesus came into this world.

Everything about Him was extraordinary: His birth, His life, His death and his resurrection. He was the only person to have ever lived a perfect life.

You can never live up to God’s requirements! God is holy and He cannot tolerate sin. So here comes your chance: Jesus died on the cross for your sin so that you could be forgiven. For everything. So that you could have peace with God and eternal live.

This is the greatest love of all times. It is the foundation of God’s plan to save you. Put your life in God’s hands, and you will realize why you are on earth and where you are going.

*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
IF YOU CHOOSE JESUS CHRIST THEN PRAY THIS:

“Jesus, thank you for dying on the cross so I can be forgiven. Please forgive me for all the bad things I have done in my life. Jesus, I believe that you died and rose again and today I choose to make you my God. Help me to follow you. Thank you for your hope, protection, and peace. Jesus, thank you that I do not have to be afraid anymore.”

If you meant this from your heart the Bible says you are a child of God now!

THESE ARE FOUR IMPORTANT BASICS TO EXPERIENCE GOD’S PEACE:

1. **Prayer** – talk to God and build a relationship with Jesus
2. **Bible** – read God’s Word, to learn about God and His ways
3. **Church** – meet and build friendships with other Christians
4. **Mission** – share the gospel and your experiences with others
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