



BRIDGES OF LOVE

LOVE IS ACTION - May, 2017

“BE READY IN SEASON AND OUT OF SEASON” – 2 Timothy 4:2

“Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction.”

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“Being prepared in season and out of season” means to always be ready to serve God in any situation, whether or not it is convenient. Being sensitive to the opportunities God gives us.

Do we suffer from the unbalanced tendency to “be ready” only “out of season?” The season does not refer to time; it refers to us. We should be ready whether we feel like it or not.

There are many similarities between being ready in our spiritual life and being prepared for a crisis. A crisis tends to reveal our character so having a strong spiritual foundation that is grounded in truth and knowledge; will be evident when confronted with high-consequence, low-probability events.

¹Professors Robert Meyer and Howard Kunreuther have done extensive research on biases that lead individuals, communities, and institutions to make grave errors that cost lives when disaster strikes. Our abilities to foresee and protect against natural catastrophes has never been greater; yet, we consistently fail to heed the warnings and take steps to protect ourselves, family, and community.

There is, however, hope, and a possible solution. Through their “*Behavioral Risk Audit*” the professors give four steps of analysis for a given hazard context providing a tool for envisioning hazards and existing preparedness measures through the eyes of stakeholders.

- Step 1: List the biases.
- Step 2: Describe impacts on beliefs.
- Step 3: Analyze manifestation in preparedness.
- Step 4: Design remedies.

¹Robert Meyer & Howard Kunreuther; The Ostrich Paradox, Why we underprepare for disasters; 2017

DISASTER ALLEY

Saturday, May 6, 2017
11:00 am – 3:00 pm
McMahon Stadium

Do you know how to take care of your family in an emergency?

Disaster Alley is a free event for all ages; for families and individuals alike. It's an annual preparedness event that occurs in Calgary every May. As Calgary's largest preparedness event, Disaster Alley showcases over 30 exhibitors who provide assistance in emergencies and disasters. These exhibitors educate guests about what they can do in an emergency or disaster.



Emergency Preparedness Week

Disaster Alley happens during Emergency Preparedness Week – a national event in May that aims to build a culture of preparedness in Canada. The event is coordinated by Public Safety Canada, in close collaboration with the provinces, territories and partners.



HOPE 150

June 30 – July 1, 2017
Canada Hope Stage,
Shaw Millennium Park

HOPE150 is a free event for the whole family.

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- ✓ This is a public event. Everyone is welcome to attend.
- ✓ Location is Shaw Millennium Park, west end of downtown Calgary.
- ✓ Great Christian Music with compelling stories of Christian HOPE.
- ✓ Featuring local and out of town artists including Tim Neufeld and The Glory Boys
- ✓ Learn how to connect, promote, and share the prayer and vision for this event.

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