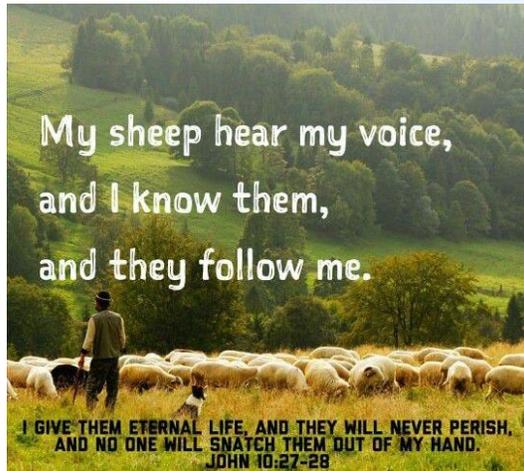




BRIDGES OF LOVE

LOVE IS ACTION – October, 2018

MY SHEEP LISTEN TO MY VOICE; I KNOW THEM, AND THEY FOLLOW ME. John 10:27



What if we faced a life-or-death decision involving two unknown paths? One path leads to a longer, more fulfilled life and the other leads to a painful, unsatisfying existence with ultimate death. Would we base our decision on which path to follow by our feelings; or would we investigate various options and seek advice from those who might have better understanding, for the best path to follow? Some might follow their feelings, but those who are wise, would follow guidance from those whom they trust with more knowledge and experience.

We have a trustworthy guide available to us. If Jesus is who He claims to be, then He is the only one who knows the absolute truth about life—both on earth and for eternity. The words in the Bible provides us with the only advice based on absolute truth.

It is this truth that the apostle John brings to us in this book. John's Gospel offers a conclusive demonstration that Jesus was, and is, the very heaven-sent Son of God and the only source of eternal life.

Those who identify with Jesus hear his voice and come to know and trust in Him. They follow in love, wanting only to be in relationship with Him.

"I give them eternal life, and they will never perish; no one can snatch them out of my hand" John 10:28

GOT IT COVERED!!

In recent years, Alberta has been ground zero for unprecedented losses, in Canada.

Glenn McGillivray, managing director of the Institute for Catastrophic Loss Reduction, reported in the [Globe and Mail](#), May 2018, six out of 10 natural disasters (events that caused a minimum \$25-million of insured damage) have taken place in Alberta, with the biggest currently sitting at \$3.6-billion insured. Seven of the top 10 costliest natural catastrophes in Canadian history have occurred in Alberta, generating \$8.2-billion in insured damage and considerably larger economic losses. All have occurred since 2009.

He goes on to say, while we cannot stop the wind from blowing, the rain from falling or lightning from igniting the boreal, we most certainly can take action to prevent a natural event from intersecting with the built environment and becoming a disaster.

The next question, of course, is how?

He states, the answer lies in the implementation of a holistic program for natural-disaster mitigation that involves many stakeholders, including all levels of government, academia, private industry, and property owners.

This must be addressed to have any hope of taming the trend to more and larger losses related to severe weather in Alberta. We cannot have business as usual!



INSPIRED

Last month, Bridges of Love was profiled on Darrel Janz's program, "Inspired"

If you missed the airing, please log in to [CTV's Website](#) to catch our segment as well as additional inspiring stories about others who are making a difference in their communities.



CERT Training Summits

The CERT basic training course is delivered as a classroom-based lecture, discussion, demonstration, and hands-on experience to ensure participants acquire knowledge as well as practical skills.

The eight modules are taught over two Saturdays by professionals who offer their expertise, experiences, and training. The Friday evening Key-note session varies from Summit to Summit.

Topics covered in past events:

Alberta Hazards, Pandemic Preparedness, Tornadoes, Hail Storms, Volunteer Liabilities, Financial Preparedness, and Electromagnetic Pulse attack.