

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live."

Believing on **Jesus** is not just about life insurance for eternity. **Jesus** can also provide abundant life for us right now. **Jesus** offers us inner peace and outward purpose.

Jesus can save us from the penalty of our sins, and give us a new beginning. He wants to be your rescuer, your friend, and your **God**!

Isn't it time you personally considered the message of **Jesus Christ**?

Don't leave it too late, or think it will never happen to you. Like the servant of Baghdad, you may run into Death at an unexpected time or place.

(All verses KJV. Don't try to use a corrupt version, it will let you down.)



Did you
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The servant in Baghdad

The story goes that one day, a wealthy merchant in Baghdad told his **servant** to go to the market and collect certain goods. Hardly any time at all had passed, and the master noticed that the servant was coming back into the estate.

The **master** met his servant at the door, and asked why it was that he had come back so early, and how come he did not have the goods he was sent to purchase. The servant, who was in an obvious great state of agitation, answered, “I was down at the market and noticed I was being jostled by a person in the crowd. When I turned around, I saw that it was **Death** that was jostling me. I looked at Him, and He made a threatening gesture toward me.”

“Master,” the servant asked, “would you please lend me your horse because I must ride away to avoid him? I will ride to Samarra and I will hide there, so that **Death** cannot find me.” The merchant agreed, and lent the servant his horse; and the servant galloped away in great haste.

Realising that he still needed the goods, the merchant decided to go down to the market himself. Whilst down there, he noticed **Death** standing in the crowd.

Going over to him, the merchant asked, “Why did you make such a threatening gesture to my servant this morning?” **Death** answered, “What do you mean? That was not a threatening gesture; it was a look of surprise.” **Death** continued, “It was just that I was astonished to see him here in Baghdad, for I have an appointment with him tonight in Samarra!”

Like the poor servant, we all would not mind avoiding death. But, as the **Bible** so clearly puts it, “...it is appointed unto men once to die ...” The question is not, will you die, but rather, when will you die.

When we are healthy and young, we may have little concern about something that seems so far away. But, the years pass quickly, and even the young are not immune from unexpected tragedy. There is, however, a way to be ready and prepared when **Death** comes.