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## What Is Your Alarm Code?

*(What will you do when the call is for you?)*  
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“Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?

As it is written: ‘For your sake we face death all day long; we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered.’ No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. **For I am convinced** that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”  
(Romans 8:35-39 NIV)

### 3 Leadership Lifters

The lift created when I **investigate**.

The lift created when I **initiate**.

The lift created when I **innovate**.

### 3 Crisis Moments

The moments you get **blindsided**.

The moments you get **betrayed**.

The moments you get **beat down**.

### 3 Crisis Responses

In a crisis you can **rant**.

“Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?” (Psalm 2:1 KJV)

In a crisis you can **run**.

“Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.” (Psalm 139:7-8 NIV)

In a crisis you can **respond**.

“Man born of woman is of few days and full of trouble. He springs up like a flower and withers away; like a fleeting shadow, **he does not endure**.” (Job 14:1-2 NIV)

## 3 Crisis Leadership Skills

The emotional skill to **wait to worry**.

“Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be men of courage; be strong.” (1 Corinthians 16:13 (NIV))

The mental skill to **stand on the promises**.

“He has delivered us from such a deadly peril, and he will deliver us. On him we have set our hope that he will continue to deliver us,”  
(2 Corinthians 1:10 NIV)

The spiritual skill to **be confident, not certain**.

“He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that **you may know that you have eternal life**. This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him.”  
(1 John 5:12-15 NIV)