Puzzling Preludes

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Crack the Code

Can you figure out the secret message? You can if you know how to crack the code. Look at the letter below each line. What letter comes after it in the alphabet? Write that letter on top of the line to begin spelling out the message.

For example:	G		0	0	X
What letter comes at	ter G?		<u>H</u>		
What letter comes at	ter Z?		A		
What letter comes at	ter O?		<u>P</u>		
What letter comes af	ter X?		Y		
And the answer is .		HAPPY	′		

Now, figure out the secret message shown here.

R	Н	M	F	S	N	S	G	D			
K	N	Q	C	Z		<u>M</u>		V	R	 	! F!
L		J		Z		<u> </u>	N	X	E	 K	
	N	<u>H</u>	R	D	S	N	S	G	D		
F		C	N	E		N	. <u> </u>	Γ -	Q		
R			U	Z	S	—		·			

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