

# A GOOD SOLDIER

II TIM 2:3,4

I KNOW WAR IN IRAQ HAS OCCUPIED THE MINDS OF MANY, TRULY IS A DISTRACTION, AND SORRY IT HAS TO BE.

I HAVE SEEN AND READ SOME OF THE ACCOUNTS OF THE SOLDIERS IN THE NEWS MEDIA.

SOME OF THE THINGS I HAVE READ & HEARD FROM THE SOLDIERS I BELIEVE WE CAN GET SOME SPIRITUAL HELP.

IN THE SERVICE OF THE LORD

DO YOU BELIEVE THERE IS A <sup>WAR?</sup> DO

YOU BELIEVE SERVING GOD, AND BEING OBEIENT TO HIS DEMANDS IN YOUR WALK WILL PUT YOU IN WARFARE?

THE WORD CONFIRMS THERE IS WARFARE IN SERVICE OF THE LORD. IF WE ICNEW NO MORE THAN EPH 6:11-17 WE WOULD KNOW THERE IS WAR IN HIS SERVICE.

I DO NOT KNOW HOW MANY IN FIGHT, BUT FEW.

DID YOU NOTE PAUL'S WORDS TO TIMOTHY IN 2:4. HE SAID A SOLDIER CAN BE RUINED BY...

AFFAIRS OF THIS LIFE ENTANGLE

a) PEOPLE NET

b) PROPERTY NET

WEALTH, PROSPERITY

c) PLEASURE NET

d) POWER NET

THESE AND MORE CAN ENTANGLE. AND

RENDER THE SOLDIER OF NO VALUE IN THE  
WAR.

BUT, WHAT MAKES A GOOD SOLDIER AS  
PAUL RECKONED TO TIMOTHY TO BE  
A GOOD SOLDIER.

1) VOLUNTEER

OUR MILITARY IS 100% VOLUNTEERS.

OUR SOLDIERS DECIDED BY FREE WILL TO TAKE  
UP ARMS AND FIGHT FOR THE CAUSE,  
W/O BEING COERCED, THREATENED, THEY  
TOOK THE OATH OF SERVICE AND  
PLEDGED TO DEFEND AT WHATEVER COST.

MAY I ASK YOU THIS MORNING WHY ARE YOU DOING  
WHAT YOU ARE DOING FOR THE LORD?

NO SERVICE FOR GOD IS FIT FOR A BONDFIRE  
UNLESS IT IS VOLUNTARY.

IF THE PREACHER HAS TO COERCE YOU, BEEG  
YOU, BARRAIN WITH YOU, GOD DOES  
NOT NEED YOUR SERVICE.

UNDER LAW, GOD HAD A SYSTEM OF ENFORCEMENT.  
WATCHMEN. JOHN 8 ADULTEROUS WOMAN

CAUGHT BY WATCHMAN. MEN | WOMEN WERE COMPELLED AND COERCED INTO SERVICE.

BUT THERE CAME A DISPENSATION OF GRACE WHEREIN WE DIVOLUNTAR & DO SO OUT OF LOVE:

<u>LAW</u>	<u>GRACE</u>
DEMANDED	COMMANDS
TOOK	RECEIVES
REQUIRED	REQUEST

- ATTEND CHURCH - I DON'T ATTEND OUT OF FEAR.
- TITHE - I DON'T TITHE OUT OF FEAR. II COR 9
- SING -
- PROACH - NOT COERCED, BUT PRIVILEGE.

GOD'S ARMY IS TOO MADE OF VOLUNTEERS. IF IT IS NOT A JOY TO WILINGLY SERVE, SIT DOWN.

2) PROUD TO SERVE, UNASHAMED

- SOLDIERS: PROUD FLAG.

PROUD COUNTRY FLAG STANDS FOR.

STAND AT ATTENTION. PROUD TO DIE.

- I PROUD TO BE A CITIZEN <sup>OF</sup> USA.

MORSO, PROUD TO BE CHRISTIAN. WHAT IS SO DREAFFUL ABOUT BEING WASHED IN BLOOD? DREAFFUL ABOUT QUICKENED FROM THE DEAD?

I'm NOT ASHAMED I've BEEN DELIVERED FROM HELL  
" " " I've ESCAPED THE PIT OF SIN.

PROUD TO SERVE.

3) WELL EQUIPPED

- LACK NOTHING. WEAPONS, AMMO, CLOTHES,
- FINE BOOTS, VEHICLES, FIRST AID KIT,
- KASHLIGHT, KEVLAR HELMET,
- SUNGLASSES, NIGHT GOGGLES,
- COMMUNICATIONS, SURVEILLANCE,
- FOOD (MRE), MAPS,

• BOOK SIN ATTACK 119:11 ROAD MAP 119:19  
 WOUNDED 119:50 DARK 119:105

• BLOOD NEVER LOSE POWER

• HOLY SPIRIT

INDISCRIABLE LOVE FOR FELLOW SOLDIERS

4) IF WOUNDED WANTS TO GET BACK QUICKLY AMONG BROTHERN  
ON NEWS ALL WOUNDED TESTIFY " IF I CAN I  
WANT TO GET WELL <sup>SOON</sup> AND  
RETURN TO HELP MY BUDDIES "

NOW THAT IS A GOOD SOLDIER,

MAY I HELP YOU, YOU WILL NOT SERVE GOD  
~~AND NOT~~ <sup>NEVER</sup> SUSTAIN AN INJURY, YOU WILL  
LOSE A BATTLE ALONG WAY.  
YOU WILL FEEL THE HEAT OF  
ENEMY FIRE.

YOU WILL SUFFER FATIGUE, WEARINESS  
DISAPPOINTMENT.

" ALL THAT WILL LIVE GODLY IN CHRIST "  
JESUS WILL SUFFER PERSECUTION

When enemy OUTNUMBERS US, THERE  
WILL BE WOUNDS.

How many today WOUNDED AND NEVER GOT  
OVER IT? YOU NEED TO GO  
TO GOD? SAY GOD ADJUST my  
OUTLOOK.

5) GET THE JOB DONE & GO HOME

"SIR, HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN HERE?"

"X DAYS. I WILL STAY TILL BATTLE WON & THEN I WANT TO GO HOME."

"I've GOT A JOB TO DO AND WHEN DONE, I WANT TO GO HOME."

SING LAST SONG

PREACH LAST MESSAGE

TEACH LAST LESSON

GIVE LAST ALTAR CALL

PRAY FINAL PRAYER :

COMFORT FINAL TIME THE AFFLICTED