

November Edition: Valuing Veterans



Happy Veterans Day!

Today is Veterans Day. Why are we so passionate about reaching out to veterans? We witnessed a fatal accident and prayed with the man as he bled to death.

It woke us up. It woke us up to appreciate veterans even more because they fought for us and saw infinitely worse things than what we saw on that day!

It's time to appreciate our nation's heroes! Veterans and our servicemen and women deserve to be thanked. We must not take them for granted! We are free thanks to their courage, determination, skills, and sacrifices.

While they deserve far more than we could ever give, here are a few ways to thank veterans:

1. E-mail a veteran a note of thanks. Send an e-mail in care of a nursing home.
2. Visit a veteran- even if it's brief.
3. Call just to thank them.



Carrie and Stacie with Col. Bud Day.

In God We Still Trust



4. Send a card - 44 cents could be... priceless!
5. Send a gift (i.e. candy, gift cards, a meal) to a veteran to show your thanks.
6. Start praying everyday for veterans and tell them so.
7. Check out <http://www.amillionthanks.org/> to learn even more ways to thank our current servicemen and women!

Sadly, approximately 1,000 WWII veterans die each day. Today is the time to pray for them, share God's love with them, and earnestly thank them. (Scroll down to read more about this in the devotional by Stacie Ruth Stoelting.)

Even if it's hard for a veteran to talk about the war, it's important for a veteran to hear your gratitude and know you care.

Thank you for thanking veterans. Remember, we live in the land of the free *because* of the brave!

God bless,
Stacie and Carrie Stoelting
Founders of [Unite the USA](#)

While There's Time: *A Tribute Sung by Stacie and Carrie*

Honor & appreciate our
veterans while there's still time.

The Ultimate Freedom-Giver

A Veterans Day Devotional by Stacie Ruth Stoelting

Carrie and Stacie sincerely desired to honor God and thank veterans with their mission-minded album, *In God We Still Trust*. After many requests for an album of their traditional and inspirational singing of patriotic favorites, the CD captures patriotism, faith, and freedom and enraptures audiences with soaring voices of passion. Stacie Ruth and Carrie Beth appear as new leaders of the post-9/11 generation. Their three octave ranges combined with their passion for Christ motivate audiences to move forward in faith! With powerful, heart-stirring songs, *In God We Still Trust* activates positive patriots of faith to hoist the torch of carrying God's brilliant truth to today's world. It will make you feel proud to be an American like never before! [Click here](#) to buy your copy at UnitetheUSA.org and all proceeds go to support the mission!

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A tired WWII veteran looked up from his recliner and made eye contact with me. The time had finally come to share vivid memories of the war: "I heard my friend, only 19-years-old like me; he screamed, 'My legs are gone!' Then I stepped on a mine. I felt it tear into me. I prayed...not so much for myself, but for my family...my mom, my dad. I lived...but [my friend] died..."

Such sacrifice deserves our appreciation. Let's recognize that freedom isn't free. Today, let's pause and pray for our veterans.

Freedom from sin and death wasn't free either: Jesus paid the price for you and me. Yes, Jesus died for us to be set free from sin. But, in order to trade our sin for a Heavenly win, we must come to the Giver of true life: Jesus Christ. "Just as the Son of Man came not to be waited on but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many [the price paid to set them free]" ([Matthew 20:28](#), AMP).

Jesus fought our battle for freedom when He took our capital punishment on the cross. He bled so we wouldn't. He paid what we couldn't. He conquered the enemy -including sin and death.

On patriotic holidays, a lot of drinking occurs. But nothing drowns our sorrows forever. We need true spiritual water. Consider this amazing Scripture combo: "As the deer pants for streams of water, so my soul pants for you, O God" ([Ps. 42:1](#)). Jesus quenches the thirst: "But whoever takes a drink of the water that I will give him shall never, no never, be thirsty any more. But the water that I will give him shall become a spring of water welling up (flowing, bubbling) [continually] within him unto (into, for) eternal life" ([John 4:14](#), AMP).

Yet we often ignore whom we should most adore: Jesus. Will you personally invite Jesus into your heart today? Will you receive His gift of eternal life and turn from trying to do things your way?

His battle-scarred hands reach out to you now. His beautiful, loving heart invites you to know true love and life in Him. Will you open your heart to His? Will you ignore or adore Him today? Remember: Jesus alone holds the power to set you free.

"So if the Son liberates you [makes you free men], then you are really and unquestionably free." ([John 8:36](#), AMP).

This Veterans Day, let's thank veterans. But let's not forget our ultimate freedom-giver: Jesus Christ.

-Stacie Ruth Stoelting

P.S. Will you share Jesus with a veteran in your life? Forward this devotional to him or her. And personalize it with a note of thanks. [Click here to do it now:](#)

