

Mission, Sacrifice, and Remembrance

“Our cruel and unrelenting enemy leaves us no choice but a brave resistance, or the most abject submission...We have therefore to resolve to conquer or die... Let us therefore rely upon the goodness of the cause, and the aid of the Supreme Being, in whose hands victory is, to animate and encourage us to great and noble actions.”

“It is impossible to rightly govern a nation without God and the Bible... It is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for his benefits and humbly implore his protection and favor.”

George Washington

“Three-millions of people, armed in the Holy cause of liberty, and in such a country as that which we possess, are invincible by any force which our enemy can send against us. Beside sir, we shall not fight our battles alone. There is a just God who presides over the destinies of nations, and who will raise up friends to fight our battles for us.”

Patrick Henry

“December 7th, 1941, a date that will live in infamy... No matter how long it may take us to overcome this premeditated invasion, the American people, in their righteous might, will win through absolute victory.”

Franklin D. Roosevelt

“Hostilities exist. There is no blinking at the fact that our people, our territory and our interest, are in grave danger. With confidence in our Armed Forces, with the unbounding determination of our people, we will gain the inevitable triumph, so help us God.”

Franklin D. Roosevelt

“The massed, angered forces of humanity are on the march. They are going forward-on the Russian front, in the vast Pacific area, and into Europe-converging upon their ultimate objectives: Berlin and Tokyo. I think the first crack in the Axis has come. The criminal, corrupt, fascist regime in Italy is going to pieces.”

Franklin D. Roosevelt

U.S. War Death Statistics

Major U.S. War Casualties	U.S. Deaths	Wounded	Date
Iraq War	4,800	31,965	2003-Present
Afghanistan	2,344	19,675	2001-Present
Gulf War	258	849	1990-1991
Vietnam War	58,209	153,303	1955-1975
Korean War	36,516	92,134	1950-1953
World War II	403,399	670,846	1941-1945
World War I	116,516	204,002	1917-1918
Civil War	625,000	281,881	1861-1865
American Revolutionary War	25,000	25,000	1775-1783
ALL U.S. CONFLICT CASUALTIES	DEATHS	WOUNDED	MISSING
GRAND TOTAL	1,343,812	1,529,230	38,159

“I feel how weak and fruitless must be any word of mine which should attempt to beguile you from the grief of a loss so overwhelming. But I cannot refrain from tendering you the consolation that may be found in the thanks of the Republic they died to save.

I pray that our Heavenly Father may assuage the anguish of your bereavement and leave you only the cherished memory of the loved and lost, and the solemn pride that must be yours to have laid so costly a sacrifice upon the altar of freedom.”

Abraham Lincoln

“The world will little note, nor long remember, what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced.

It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us...that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion...that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain...that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom...and that government of the people...by the people...for the people...shall not perish from the earth.”

Abraham Lincoln

“From that time on Jesus began to explain to his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things at the hands of the elders, the Chief Priests, and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and on the third day be raised to life.”

Matt. 16:21

“I am the Good Shepherd; I know my sheep and my sheep know me – just as the Father knows me and I know the Father – and I lay down my life for my sheep.”

John 10: 14-15

“The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I have received from my Father.”

John 10: 17-18

“Greater love has no one than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.”

John 15:13

Jesus answered, “I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to Father except through me.”

John 14:16

“He was despised and rejected by mankind, a man of suffering, and familiar with pain. Like one from whom people hide their faces he was despised, and we held him in low esteem. Surely, he took our pain and bore our suffering, yet we considered him punished by God, stricken by Him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.”

Isaiah 53: 3-5

“When He received the drink,
Jesus said, “It is finished.”
With that, he bowed his head
and gave up his spirit.”

John 19: 30

“And he took the bread, gave thanks and broke it and gave it to them saying, “This is my body given for you: do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, after the supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for you.”

Luke 22: 19-20

“Then Jesus came to them and said,
“All authority in heaven and on earth
has been given to me. Therefore, go
and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the
Father and of the Son and of the Holy
Spirit, and teaching them to obey
everything I have commanded you.

Matt. 28: 16-20

“Like a mighty Army
Moves the Church of God
Brothers, we are treading
Where the saints have trod
We are not divided
All one body we
One in hope and doctrine
One in Charity
Onward Christian soldiers
Marching as to war
With the cross of Jesus
Going on Before”

“Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it. What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul?”

Matt 16: 24-26

“Therefore, I urge you brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God – this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of the world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is – his good, pleasing, and perfect will.

Rom. 12: 1-2

“Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.”

1 Cor. 6: 19-20