

Notes for Memorial Day: What is a Hero?

Hebrew & Greek pronunciation spelled phonetically

Exodus 20:8 - *Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.*

"The real hero is the man who fights even though he is scared." - General George Patton

Deuteronomy 16:1 - *Observe the month of Abib and keep the Passover to the Lord your God, for in the month of Abib the Lord your God brought you out of Egypt by night*

Abib (*Ah-veev in Hebrew*) is now called Nisan (*Nee-Sahn*) and roughly equates to a period beginning in March and ending in April.

1 Corinthians 11:24-25 - *...and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me. In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."*

John 15:13 - *"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."*

Hebrews 13:3 - *Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body.*

26 million Christians were slaughtered in the 20th century

1 Corinthians 1:26-29 - *For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, so that no human being might boast in the presence of God.*

Romans 4:20 - *"No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God,"*

Hebrews 11:6 - *And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.*

Romans 10:17 - *So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God*
Hebrews 11:13-14 - *These all died in faith, not having received the things promised, but having seen them and greeted them from afar, and having acknowledged that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.*

81% of U.S. adults say they believe in God. Far fewer than that actually BELIEVE God. Many people say they believe, but their lives reveal compromise. They ignore uncomfortable truths, rationalize away commands, abandon daily time in God's Word and prayer.

Joshua 24:15 - *"...as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."*

Matthew 26:39 - *My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as you will.*

Psalms 37:5 - *"Commit your way to the Lord; trust in him, and He will act."*

"The most powerful weapon on earth is the human soul on fire for God." - French General, Ferdinand Foch

James 2:18 - *But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works.*

"Give me a hundred men who fear nothing but sin, and desire nothing but God, and I will shake the world." - Pastor James Hewett

James 2:21-22 - *Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar? You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works.*

"A hero is one who knows how to hang on one minute longer." - Norwegian proverb

Hebrews 12:1 - *"Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith..."*

"I am not afraid of an army of lions led by a sheep; I am afraid of an army of sheep led by a lion" - Alexander the Great

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“There is nothing worth living for, unless it is worth dying for.” - *Christian missionary Elisabeth Elliot*