



Remembering those who Purchased and Protect our Freedom

Matthew 24:6 I *hate* war – but - it’s a necessary evil.

We live with TWO kinds of war:

[Spiritual](#) Warfare and [Political](#) Warfare.

Colossians 2:11-15

† **The Cross** is a [memorial](#) of the Sacrifice and Victory of Jesus.

A problem with Political wars: [Humans](#) – Jer. 17:9; I Tim. 6:10

[People say War is ...](#)

God’s [Rainbow](#) is a *supernatural* Memorial. Genesis 9:12-17

We **need** reminders - lest we forget. **Memorial Day** reminds us:

All of our military personal [gave some](#), [some gave all](#).

The USA exists because we won the Revolutionary war...

American Revolutionary War American battle deaths: [4,435](#)

The War of 1812 -1812-15 American battle deaths **2,260**

Civil War –1861 – 1865 **618,222** battle deaths

360,222 from the North - 258,000 from the South

WWI – 1917 – 1919 U.S. troops engaged: 4,734,991

American casualties: **53,402** (Total theater deaths: 116,516)

World War II 1939-45 (U.S. involved 1941-46)

U.S. troops: 16,112,56 American casualties: 291,557 (**405,399**)

- **D-Day** June 6, 1944
- the **Holocaust**
- the **atomic bomb**

Vietnam War 1954-75 (U.S. 1961-75)

U.S. troops: 8,744,000 American deaths: 47,410 (90,220)

Persian Gulf War 1991 U.S. troops 2,183,000

Allied casualties: **147** (1,565)

Global war on Terror – Deaths: 6,852 +

Afghanistan War 2002 / **Iraq War** 2003

Total – More than [1.1 million deaths](#)... John 15:13

Our Military is tasked with protecting our peace. We are tasked to *remember* and *support* them. What can we do?

1. [Pray](#) 1 Timothy 2:1-4
2. [Be Thankful](#) ⇨ Pray Thursday JUNE 8.
3. [Build Relationships](#) and love Others.

⇨ I’ll [pray for and honor](#) those God uses to protect my liberty.

Next Week: *Church Beyond Walls* – Live with Passion Acts 20:24

Power of Community- Remembering

July's Memory Verse – *Loving God means keeping his commandments, and his commandments are not burdensome.*
1John 5:3 (NLT)

Monday 5/29- Read Exodus 20:13-16

Question: What is the focus of God's Top Ten Commandments 5 through 8?

Truth: *Don't Harm Your Neighbor*

Meditate: Romans 13:10- *Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.*

Prayer: Father God, my desire is to love you and love others and in doing so fulfill all your commandments.

Action: Learn to Love God and Love Others.

What God is asking me to do: _____

Tuesday 5/30- Read Exodus 20:13

Question: Does God command that we cannot "kill" another human being?

Truth: Murder is the *unlawful* premeditated killing of one human being by another.

Meditate: Romans 13:4 – *They are God's servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer.*

Prayer: Jesus, you taught that being angry with my brother or sister I am open to the same judgment as a murderer. Help me to be at peace with everyone. see Matthew 5:21-22

Action: *If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.* Romans 12:18

What God is telling me: _____

Wednesday 5/31- Read Exodus 20:14

Question: Why is God against adultery?

Truth: *So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate.* Mat.19:6

Meditate: Matthew 5:28- *But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart.*

Prayer: Lord, your desire is for purity in heart, mind and actions. Renew my heart Lord with your holiness.

Action: *Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor.* 1 Peter 2:17

What God is telling me: _____

Thursday 6/1- Read Exodus 20:15

Question: Does it matter if I take something small that does not belong to me?

Truth: *You shall not steal.*

Meditate: Luke 16:10- *"Whoever can be trusted with very little can also be trusted with much, and whoever is dishonest with very little will also be dishonest with much.*

Prayer: Lord, I will be faithful with the little things, so you can trust me with much bigger things.

Action: *Godliness with contentment is great gain.* 1 Tim. 6:6

What God is telling me: _____

Friday 6/2- Read Exodus 20:16

Question: Do I always have to tell the truth?

Truth: *You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.*

Meditate: [John](#) 8:31-32- *To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."*

Prayer: Lord, I will hold to your teachings and live freely in the truth.

Action: *Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.* 1 Corinthians 13:6

What God is telling me: _____

Love God and Love Others BY participating in an Action Group

The Power of Community- John 15:13

Fellowship and Praises-

Take 20-30 minutes and share what God has been doing in your life this last week.

Bible verse memorization: Review: Proverbs 1:7,

Hebrews 13:8, John 14:23, Galatians 5:14, John 13:35

Bible Study Exercise: Read John 15:13

How does remembering those who have given their lives for my freedoms call me into action?

At Gateway we are *Learning to Love God and Love Others*, how have you become better at Loving God during this Spring Semester?

How have you improved at Loving Others during this semester?

Pastor Randy taught 3, six weeks, sermon series this semester: What do you remember about each one of these topics?

Thriving in a Changing World

Jesus Changed Everything

Power of Community

Commit to participate in one or more Action Groups this Summer. See you in September!

Prayer Time-

Going Deeper: Read Matthew 5:1-48

Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect. Vs. 48

May's Memory Verse: *By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.*” John 13:35

Real Application: Commit to Be a witness for Christ daily.