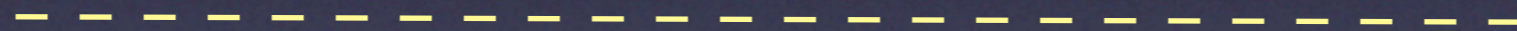




# The Soul of a Warrior



Joshua 14:6-15

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We are living in a War  
Zone, and the cross hairs  
of the enemy are trained  
on our hearts.

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Harold's response was immediate:  
**“I need someone big enough to carry me when I get hit!”**

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General George C. Marshall:

**“The soldier’s heart, the soldier’s spirit, the soldier’s soul are everything. Unless the soldier’s soul sustains him, he cannot be relied upon. He will fail himself, his commander, and in the end, he will fail his country.”**

# Our Text

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# A Transcendent Cause

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Deacones said,

**“If I thought this flesh was mine, I could not advance a pace into the face of the enemy. But it is not mine. My flesh belongs to my wife, my family, and to my fellow citizens, and to the generations yet unborn.”**

Victor Davis Hansen (a Military Historian from Stanford University)

**“In every case that I have studied, I have found that it was some under-riding *critical principle* that rode in the soldier’s soul.”**

Invest . . . Invest . . . Invest

your time

your resources

your energy

your passion

your commitment

Invest in what God is doing!

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Hebrews 13

vs 7: Remember those who led you, who  
spoke the word of God to you; and  
considering the result of their conduct,  
imitate their faith.

# An Anonymous Proverb

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If you dwell in the past,  
you will lose an eye.

If you forget the past,  
you will stumble in blindness.

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The task is NOT done;  
it is not yet completed.

Four Star Conference of Generals  
is hosted by the US Army. On  
the agenda:

*“A Discussion of Values”*

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## Loyalty

Bear true faith and allegiance to the US constitution, the Army, and other soldiers.

Be loyal to the nation and its heritage.

# Duty

Fulfill your obligations.

Accept responsibility for your own actions and those entrusted to your care.

Find opportunities to improve oneself for the good of the group.

# Respect

Rely upon the golden rule.

How we consider others reflects upon each of us, both personally and as a professional organization.

# Selfless Service

Put the welfare of the nation, the Army, and your subordinates before your own.

Selfless service leads to organizational teamwork and encompasses discipline, self-control, and faith in the system.

# Honor

Live up to all the Army values.

# Integrity

Do what is right, legally and morally.

Be willing to do what is right even when no one is looking.

It is our “moral compass” and inner voice.

# Personal Courage

Our ability to face fear, danger, or adversity, both physical and moral courage.

# A Personal Intensity



Note:  
Verses 8, 9, & 14



Perspective is  
shaped by  
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# A Soldier's Confidence (Optimism)

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Verse 12: It may be that the Lord  
will be with me.

## Hebrews 11

“These all died in faith, **not having received the promises**, but having seen them afar off were assured of them, embraced them and confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. For those who say such things declare plainly that they seek a homeland. (13-14) . . .

And truly if they had called to mind that country from which they had come out, they would have had opportunity to return. But now they desire a better, that is, a heavenly country. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.  
(vs 15-16)

Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented, of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. (vs 36-38)...

And all these, **having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise**, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.” (vs 39-40)

# A Deep Camaraderie

# Seven Promises of a Promise Keeper:

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A Promise Keeper is committed to pursuing vital relationships with a few other men, understanding that he needs brothers to help him keep his promises.

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The GI said,  
“Right here behind me! We’re the  
82nd and this is where it stops!”

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