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For most this is a joyous time of the year, but to many of our Veterans this is a time of great sadness or even depression. I wrote this many years ago and believe it is time once again to be published and remembered. Perhaps this will give a better insight of why we struggle during most Holidays.



I remember it just like it was yesterday... I was on guard duty, out in the middle of nowhere in the Middle East. The sound of thunder roared through the air as the bombing of our enemy continued day and night. This particular night though it was clear and one could see the heavens in a spectacular array, so many stars shining so brightly and then the thought came to me. Was it a night like this that our Saviour was born in Bethlehem of Judea? I mean other than the sounds of war, was it a crisp cool night with all



God's heavenly lighting setting the stage upon which our Lord would appear? It was during this experience that the overwhelming feeling of being alone hit all of a sudden, without warning; it was just me and God, and yet even He seemed so very far away right at that point and time. However the Scriptures say in Hebrews 13:5 *Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.*

As we set in our comfortable homes, perhaps around an open hearth, or just with friends and family do we take the time to think of those who are standing on the front lines to defend our Freedoms so that we may enjoy that time with our families. While we feast on grandma's homemade pies, and a table spread with all kinds of goodies, do we stop to remember those who are eating an MRE while sitting in a foxhole all alone in the world, cold, most times scared, but there to do their sworn duty to our Country.



It wasn't until that moment in time that I began to think and wonder how cold Mary was that night as she gave birth to her Lord. What was going through Joseph's mind as he watched his wife give birth to the King of Kings, not in a palace but in a drafty old stable? Just as Jesus came to this world in a humble setting so those who defend our Nation also live in similar humble settings away from their family and friends. Our Lord also left His Father in Heaven to come to earth and be born, born to die for our sins.

PRAYER REQUESTS: We are still waiting on our RV Repairs to be finished so we are not able to schedule anything at this time unless it is within a day's journey of NC. Please pray as are having difficulty with this RV dealership doing the work in a timely manner. I am also currently in Physical Therapy for Neuropathy, which is a contributing factor to my vertigo issues. We met veterans everywhere and one we met just recently was stationed just a few Kilometers from us in Germany during the same time. Pray that the witness and materials will reach their hearts for the LORD! We are making a difference in the lives of our Troops because of your faithful support of this much needed Ministry. Therefore we thank you for your Support and Prayers for our Ministry and our Troops! God Bless!!!

Four "HIS GLORY"
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 Ephesians 6:10-20

KEEP PRAYING... GOD IS WORKING!!!

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