

The Patriot

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Patriot

Pater - Father

Patria - Fatherland

The father (Pater) instinct for the fatherland (Patria)

The Father's Business

And He said to them, Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?

Luke 2:49

Believe thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwells in me, he does the works.

John 14:10

As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.

John 20:21

The Patriot

The zealous, bravehearted preserver of the entrusted range - one about the Father's Business

God armeth the patriot.

William Wallace

So shall you keep the watch of the house, that it be not broken down . . .
And you shall compass the king round about, every man with his weapons
in his hand: and he that comes **within the ranges**, let him be slain:
and be ye with the king as he goes out and as he cometh in . . . And to the
captains over hundreds did the priest give **king David's spears
and shields**, that were in the temple of the LORD.

2 Kings 11:6,8,10

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truth of God except **that little point** which the world and the Devil
are at that moment attacking, I am not confessing Christ, however boldly I
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Martin Luther

Training for the Bully

Building the Unflinching Boy

Training for the Catastrophe

Building the Unflinching Believer

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On That Little Point

Are we Flinching?

1. 23,000
2. 163,000,000
3. 27,000,000
4. The Death Houses
5. The Death Squads

The Cattle Cars

The Great Baby Rescue

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For I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited Me; I was in prison and you came to

Me . . . Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.

Matthew 25:35-36,40

Christianity - the Great Inconvenience

The Little Girl in South Korea

The Little Boy from Down the Street

Arrows in the Warrior's Hand

Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, The fruit of the womb is a reward. Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, So are the children of one's youth. Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them; They shall not be ashamed, But shall speak with their enemies in the gate.

Psalms 127:3-5

Skype Interview with Annie and Kiddos

Embracing the Inconvenient - the great secret to the abundant life and to great strength

Hudson's Solution

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As I tucked him in last night, Hudson said, "Know what Daddy?"

I said, "What shnuggle-bunny?"

His left eyebrow raised as if an amazing idea was finding wings within his mind, and he said, "If we bring these orphans into our family then they won't be orphans anymore!"

The Obvious Solution is Just Too Obvious

The Burden of Action

For everyone to **whom much is given**, from him **much will be required**; and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more.

Luke 12:48

Becoming an Emergency Rescue Shelter

Where the Cold are Warmed, The Hungry are Fed, The Naked are Clothed, the Weak are Made Strong

A man will be as a hiding place from the wind, And a cover from the tempest, As rivers of water in a dry place, As the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.

Isaiah 32:2

Becoming a Hiding Place from the Wind

Doing the Work of “The Man”

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The Appropriate Use of Strength

Ordered to both win the day and protect the weak

- Advanced or Van Guard
- Main or Middle Guard
- Rear Guard

The Life Guard

A body of select troops, whose duty is to defend the person of a prince or other singularly valuable persons

Open your mouth for the speechless, in the cause of all who are appointed to die. Open your mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy.

Proverbs 31:8-9

. . . I delivered the poor who cried out, The fatherless and the one who had no helper. The blessing of a perishing man came upon me, and I caused the widow's heart to sing for joy. I put on righteousness, and it clothed me; my justice was like a robe and a turban. I was eyes to the blind, and I was feet to the lame. I was a father to the poor, And I searched out the case that I did not know. I broke the fangs of the wicked, and plucked the victim from his teeth.

Job 29:12-17

Christianity . . .

1. Embracing the Inconvenient
2. Standing up for what is right, even when everyone else remains seated
3. Being made strong to be poured out
4. Doing that which the Father is doing