

As seen in the Road to Damascus newsletter put out by Preacher Clutter [menofmessiah777@gmail.com](mailto:menofmessiah777@gmail.com) send him an e-mail and he will send you his thoughts every month. Patriotism Is Badly Wounded!

I didn't want to write this. I have been thinking about it for a couple of months and knew what is was going to sound like to folks who don't feel the same way I do. It's going to sound like whining about the good-old days or sound like I am the old fogey yearning for the past.

I remember at least through the sixth grade, every day we started the day with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Lord's Prayer. We had an American Flag in every room of the school. At every school function we stood, put our hand over our heart, and sang the Star Spangled Banner.

Some of the first things I remember as a child was being taught to tell the truth regardless of the circumstances, to respect others and their property regardless of the circumstances, to love God and country, and to have the highest respect for those who had served our country in all of the uniformed services. We said "Sir" or "Ma'am" when talking to any adult out of respect for their age or authority.

I pray that my patriotism will live as long as I do, and I pray that something will happen to renew the patriotism of the American people.

God's Words tell us that we are to respect human governments because all authority comes from God [Romans 13:1-5] and that we are to honor and respect those in authority [Romans 13:7]. I take this to mean that we are to respect and honor our country also.

The most obvious displays of American Patriotism that I see these days are seen in veterans, bikers, and Native Americans. There is something about serving in the U.S. Armed Forces that drives Patriotism deep into your DNA. Most vets pray that they never see anybody burning our Flag because we don't want to go to jail. Many of the Motorcycle Clubs and organizations were started and are membered by vets. And if you want to really see Patriotism in action attend a Memorial Day Pow-Wow in some Native American community near you; you won't feel the same way about Patriotism ever again.

I guess all we can do is pray about it. Patriotism, like faith, is something that you cannot push down people's throats and into their souls. It has to come out of Love, Honor, and Respect for God, Country, and Others. Thank God for loving you, thank a vet for his/her love of you and country to have given their time and maybe more for the way of life that you enjoy, and try to love each other as Jesus has loved you [John 13:34-35]. Happy Memorial Day!

God bless and Godspeed

# Saving A Heart

## Benefit Ride

**Bikers and Vehicles Welcome**



My name is Krystal Wutt, I am 27 yrs old and I am facing my 2nd Open Heart Surgery this year, which they will be putting in a mechanical valve in. Due to my husband and I battling to get health insurance and I am currently unemployed we are putting together this ride to raise money towards this surgery. I would like to Thank You ALL in advance and hope to see you there!!

**Date: June 9th, 2012**

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