

The Sin of Indifference

Indifference is the lack of interest or concern, especially regarding matters of general importance or appeal; indifference is a Lack of emotion or feeling; impassiveness.

One man said, “The opposite of love is not hate, its indifference. The opposite of art is not ugliness, its indifference. The opposite of faith is not heresy, its indifference. And the opposite of life is not death, its indifference.”

I believe that indifference becomes the detriment of relationships, marriages, children, churches, corporations, and even countries. (Indifference rubs off.)

2 Timothy 3:1-4 The Message : Don't be naive. There are difficult times ahead. As the end approaches, people are going to be self-absorbed, money-hungry, self-promoting, stuck-up, profane, contemptuous of parents, crude, coarse, dog-eat-dog, unbending, slanderers, impulsively wild, savage, cynical, treacherous, ruthless, bloated windbags, addicted to lust, and allergic to God.

Someone said, “If I do my thing and you do yours, we stand in danger of losing each other and ourselves. We are fully ourselves only in relation to each other.

1 John 3:17NKJ But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him?

Many men have offered their lives to save others: Sergeant York was one of them. Sergeant York the famous soldier had a faith. If my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight. York was against war but he was persuaded to reconsider the morality of his participation in the war. Granted a 10-day leave to visit home, he returned convinced that God meant for him to fight and would keep him safe,.. He served with his Division..

During an military attack, York's actions earned him the Medal of Honor. York said the Germans got us, and they got us right smart. They just stopped us dead in our tracks. Their machine guns were up there on the heights overlooking us and well hidden, and we couldn't tell for certain where the terrible heavy fire was coming from ... And I'm telling you they were shooting straight. Our boys just went down like the long grass before the mowing machine at home. Our attack just faded out ... And there we were, lying down, about halfway across [the valley] and those German machine guns and big shells getting us hard.

Under the command of Sergeant Bernard Early, four non-commissioned officers, including Corporal York, and thirteen privates were ordered to infiltrate the German lines to take out the machine guns. The group worked their way behind the Germans and overran the headquarters of a German unit, capturing a large group of German soldiers who were preparing a counter-attack against the U.S. troops. Early's men were contending with the prisoners when German machine gun fire suddenly peppered the area, killing six Americans and wounding three others. The loss of the nine killed and wounded put York in charge of the seven remaining U.S. soldiers. As his men remained under cover, guarding the prisoners, York worked his way into position to silence the German machine guns. York recalled later,

And those machine guns were spitting fire and cutting down the undergrowth all around me something awful. And the Germans were yelling orders. You never heard such a racket in all of your life. I didn't have time to dodge behind a tree or dive into the brush... As soon as the machine guns opened fire on me, I began to exchange shots with them. There were over thirty of them in continuous action, and all I could do was touch the Germans off just as fast as I could. I was sharp shooting... All the time I kept yelling at them to come down. I didn't want to kill any more than I had to. But it was they or I. And I was giving them the best I had.

During the assault, six German soldiers in a trench near York charged him with fixed bayonets. York had fired all the rounds in his but drew his semi-automatic pistol and shot all six soldiers before they could reach him.

A German, commander, emptied his pistol trying to kill York while he was contending with the machine guns. Failing to injure York, and seeing his mounting losses, he offered in English to surrender the unit to York, who accepted. By the end of the engagement, York and his seven men marched 132 German prisoners back to the American lines. Upon returning to his unit, York reported to his brigade commander, who remarked "Well York, I hear you have captured the whole darn German army." York replied "No sir. I got only 132." His actions silenced the German machine guns and were responsible for enabling the 328th Infantry to renew its attack to capture the Decauville Railroad.

When decorating York, Marshal Ferdinand Foch told York "What you did was the greatest thing accomplished by any soldier of all the armies of Europe."

In addition to his French medals, Italy awarded York and decorated him with its War Medals He eventually received nearly 50 decorations including Medal of Honor.

I saw the movie Sargent York and I still remember York licking his thumb over the sight of his rifle then voicing a turkey call and then shooting a German when he stood up.

God promised Israel a good land.

God said to Israel destroy all peoples and occupy the land I am giving you. But Israel failed to obey God and eventually He drove Israel out from their land.

After over 1000 years of much tribulation God provided a new place in the world for them to worship.. It was America the land of the free. He gave it to us; the land is a good land flowing with fertile land and riches, this He did because of His love. He has protected this country and He has directed men to protect this country. God has cared for this land and it is the most wonderful land in the world. It is rich in its resources; for instance there is more oil in the ground here In America than in oil rich Saudi Arabia.

I don't know about you but I'm thankful to be in a land that God picked out for me; Made ready for me. My citizenship may be in heaven but when I look down at my feet they are in the land that God in His mercy has given me, I appreciate it. It is beautiful and bountiful.

Israel lost their land when they stopped worshiping the Lord and we too will lose our land when God stops protecting us. If He hasn't already!

In John 10:15 Jesus said As the Father knows me, even so I know the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.

Christ not apathetic about the world's need for a savior: For His sacrifice.

KJV John 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this that a man lay down his life for his friends.

If God told York to fight for his country and he would protect him ... He did.