

July 5, 2015

Insight...

So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

John 8:36

☆ **Clint and Coty**, were reminiscing about their time in the Army National Reserve... both thought their companies were pretty good. Coty said, *"When my guys presented arms all you could hear was 'slap, slap, click.'" "That was pretty good,"* Clint responded. *"Ours was a little different though. When we presented arms all you could hear was 'slap, slap, jingle.'" "What was the jingle,"* Coty asked. Clint smiled, winked and answered, *"Medals."*

☆ **From a hymnal for servicemen published in 1942**, and sung to the tune of Londonderry Air (or Danny Boy),

Yet I look on, beyond earth's limitation,
To where a home of rarer vision gleams
Fairer than earth's most wonderful creation
Bathed in the light of heaven's own morning beams.

There we shall meet, from every clime and nation,
There we shall meet, in answer to the call,
There we shall meet in joyful consecration,
Sons of one Father, brothers one and all.

☆ I found this hymn not in its hymnal but in an article from Touchstone's Anthony Esolen [Illuminations, Touchstone, July/August 2015]. The hymn, he writes, *"brought to mind an imagination of C. S. Lewis, when the Christian soldier who has been loyally fighting for England, slain in the same moment with his Christian enemy who has been loyally fighting for Germany, awakes with him in glory, and they clap one another on the shoulder in friendship. That isn't because they have forgotten their piety. It is because they remember it and cherish it and love it even in the other. The soldier who loves England understands the soldier who loves Germany."* For in that land we call heaven, all who die in Christ, regardless of the nation God gave them in this life, *"will flow into and from one another, while remaining themselves, and more than themselves. They are the America, and the England, and the Germany whose capital is called Jerusalem."*

☆ *“God allows what He hates to accomplish what He loves.”* From an interview with a teenage girl on FOX News whose father had been killed by a lone gunman while he attended a Bible study at Emanuel AME Church in Charleston, SC

☆ **But someone else gets blamed** – *“A bad disposition has lost many a good position.”*

☆ **Trivia Question:** Uncle Sam is a fictional character inspired by a real man who once processed and packed food for U. S. Soldiers during the War of 1812.

For Prayer...

...Shawn Hermson – generous and engaged hearts as he raises money for missions work that reaches out to victims of the slave and sex trade in Indonesia. If the Lord gives you a heart for the support of this opportunity, please write your check (or designate to) WHBC and on the note line indicate: “Adult Missions/Bella Goose.”

...From Lindsey Musanero - Some of our members will be going on two different missions trips to Guatemala during the weeks of 8/20 through 9/3. We cherish the prayer support of the church.

...Elder Board Meeting this evening – dealing with several critical issues.

...Deb Penzkover’s sister, Traci, passed away Tuesday evening. We mourn with Debbie and lift up her family.

...We also mourn with Marilyn Howell and her family after her daughter’s nephew passed away in his sleep on Tuesday evening. He was 21.

...Elena Mahalas – giving thanks that she is able to care for her son who is fighting cancer and for some reconciliation between her and her daughter-in-law. God’s continued work.

...Chuck (Esther) Ruby – home and getting better. Giving thanks for the Lord’s grace. Continue to pray for strength and healing.

...Sale of Homes: Reidle, Gradall, Normans, Stocks, Muehlfelts...

...Couples who are fighting serious physical illness together.

Jeff & Laurie	Christy (Mike)	Sue (John)
Cheryl (Deane)	Ken & Judy	

...Our Expectant Mothers

Jen (Cody)	Britta (Jonah)	Kristin (Shawn)
Brittany (Andy)	Diana (Steven)	Coty (Steven)
Elizabeth (Brent)	Angela (Ryan)	

“[God] will not be used as a convenience. Men or nations who think they can revive the Faith in order to make a good society might just as well think they can use the stairs of heaven as a shortcut to the nearest chemist’s shop.”

C. S. Lewis

Trivia Answer: True. Samuel Wilson was a meat packer and city employee from Troy New York. Many of the people from Troy called him Uncle Sam because he was well known and well liked. During the War of 1812 meat stamped E. S. Wilson (the E. stood for Sam's partner & brother, Ebenezer) was shipped to 6,000 soldiers stationed in Greenbush, N. Y. Each barrel was also marked "E.A.-U.S." This stood for Elbert Anderson - United States. Elbert had the contract to supply all army rations to New York and New Jersey .The soldiers who were from Troy would identify the meat as coming from "Uncle Sam." Overtime, it is believed that anything that came with the U.S. stamp came from Uncle Sam...mythical to some, but not all.