

# Mike Arnold Ministries

Creatively Making Disciples

## PATTON SPEECH

Be seated.

Now, I want you to remember that no bastard ever won a war by dying for his cause. He won it by making the other poor dumb bastard die for his cause. Men, all this stuff you've heard about Christians not wanting to fight, wanting to stay out of the war, is a lot of horse dung.

Christians traditionally love to fight. All **real** Christians love the sting of battle. When you were kids, you all admired the champion marble shooter, the fastest runner, the big league ball player, the toughest boxer. Christians love a winner and will not tolerate a loser. Christians play to win all the time. I wouldn't give a hoot in hell for a man who lost and laughed. That's why Christians have never lost and will never lose a war. Because the very thought of losing is hateful to followers of the living God.

Now, the Church is a team. It lives, eats, sleeps, fights as a team. This denominational stuff is a bunch of crap. The bilious bastards who wrote that stuff about individuality for Christianity Today don't know anything more about real battle than they do about fornicating.

We have the finest food and equipment, the best Spirit and the best men in the world. You know, by God I actually pity those poor demons we're going up against. By God, I do. We're not just going to shoot the bastards, we're going to cut out their living guts and use them to grease the treads of our tanks. We're going to murder those lousy demon bastards by the bushel.

Now, some of you boys, I know, are wondering whether or not you'll chicken out under fire. Don't worry about it. I can assure you that you will all do your duty. Our battle is not against flesh and blood. Satan and his demons are the enemy. Wade into them. Spill *their* blood. Shoot *them* in the belly. When you see kids hooked on drugs, smut on television, families falling apart, and babies aborted by the millions, you'll know what to do.

Now there's another thing I want you to remember. I don't want to get any messages saying that we are holding our position or building another building. We're not holding anything. Let the unbelievers do that. We are advancing constantly and we're not interested in holding onto anything except the enemy. We're going to hold onto him by the nose and we're going to kick him in the ass. We're going to kick the hell out of him all the time and we're gonna go through him like crap through a goose.

There's one thing that you men will be able to say when you get back home to heaven. And you may thank God for it. Three hundred years from now when you're sitting in your mansion in Heaven with your grandson on your knee and he asks you what did you do in the great war to bring the Kingdom of God to earth, you won't have to say, "Well, I stuffed bulletins in a Baptist church."

Alright now, you sons-of-God, you know how I feel. Oh, and I will be proud to lead you wonderful guys into battle – anytime, anywhere.

That's all.

Paraphrased from the 1970 movie Patton, directed by Franklin J. Schaffner.

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