May None of our Soldiers Go Unloved

A Poem

May no soldier go unloved. May no soldier walk alone. May no soldier be forgotten, Until they all come home!¹

PSALM 35:1-3 ¹ Judge Thou, O Lord, them that wrong me: overthrow them that fight against me. 2 Take hold of arms and shield: and rise up to help me.

³ Bring out the sword, and shut up the way against them that persecute me: say to my soul: I AM thy salvation.

EPHESIANS 6:13-17

¹³ Therefore take unto you the armour of GOD,

that you may be able to resist in the evil day, and to stand in all things perfect. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth,

and having on the breastplate of justice,

¹⁵ And your feet shod with the preparation of The Gospel of peace:

¹⁶ In all things taking the shield of faith,

wherewith you may be able to extinguish all the fiery darts of The Most Wicked One. ¹⁷ And take unto you the helmet of salvation,

and the sword of The SPIRIT, which is The Word of GOD, [in CHRIST JESUS].³

A Prayer

O LORD, Thou Whose every promise is balm, every touch life,

Draw near to Thy weary warrior,

Refresh me, that I may rise again to wage the strife,

And never tire until the enemy is trodden down.

Give me such fellowship with Thee that I may defy Satan,

Unbelief, the flesh and the world.

Give me a draught of The Eternal Fountain

That lieth in Thy immutable, everlasting Love and Decree.

Then shall my hands never weaken, my feet never stumble,

My sword never rest, my shield never rust,

My helmet never shatter, my breastplate never fall,

As my strength rests in The Power of Thy Might! AMEN.⁴

¹ "May No Soldier Go Unloved." Author unknown. Soldier Angels. Retrieved 5/22/2014. http://donnette.squidoo.com/soldeirs angels

² Douay-Rheims 1899 American Bible, PSALM35(34):1-3.

³ Douay-Rheims 1899 American Bible, EPHESIANS 6:13-17.

⁴ Adapted from "The Servant in Battle." The Valley of Vision – A Collection of Puritan Prayers and Devotions. Edited by Arthur Bennett. Richard Clay Ltd, Bungay, Suffolk, Great Britain. 1975. Page 181.