

## Daily Devotion For May 29, 2021

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit." Psalm 34:18

This is Memorial Day Weekend. For many people it represents the "official" start of summer. Memorial Day, however is a day of remembrance. A day to remember the more than 1.3 million American Military women and men who over the last 245 years paid the ultimate price for the freedoms that we so often take for granted and enjoy each and every day.

Since September 11, 2001, nearly 7000 American troops have lost their lives. Each one of those fallen soldiers has left behind loved ones who continue to mourn the loss of their loved ones. For some people, Memorial Day represents gathering with family and friends and barbecuing hot dogs and hamburgers. For others, it will be a day of placing flowers on the grave of a loved one.

**Thought For Today:** As we celebrate the start of summer, let's pause to remember those who died in the service of our country, thank God for their sacrifice, pray for their families, and, most of all, pray for peace.

**Today's Prayer Focus:** Thank God for those who went before us, making our freedom possible and those who continue to battle for our country's safety and survival. Just as we must remember that our salvation was because of the sacrifice of our Lord Jesus, let us never forget that the freedom we enjoy as a nation came at a great sacrifice, as well. Continue to pray this week's prayer fuel. Deo Volente