

Find a church that will teach you the Bible. Be obedient, Matthew 28:19b-20a, "...teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you..."

Enlist, Join the ranks. Hebrews 10:25, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together..." Meditate on the Bible. Joshua 1:8, "This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success."

Jesus demands obedience, just as the military does. God requires certain things from his troops. That's when the benefits come. From honorable service.

Come to Jesus for salvation, stay with him to stay strong, Army Strong.

You don't have to live with the effects of PTSD. There is relief. It is called belief. "...Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved..." Acts 16:31. Belief is where it begins, His Word will guide you from there.

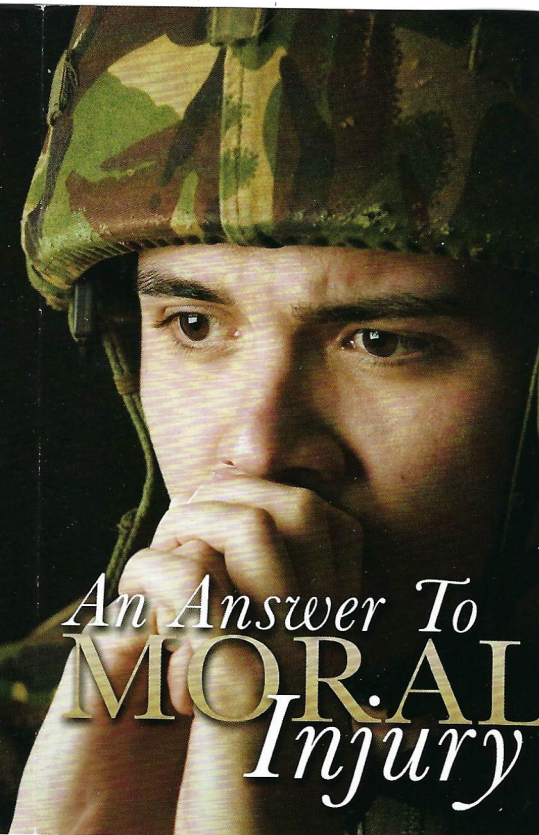
With Christ there is Hope. Hope is not wishful thinking about how life might work out. It is a confidence in a future event. When someone in whom you have utter and complete confidence in tells you something, it is that assurance knowing the event will take place, they have given you hope. Christ has assured His people, those who believe in Him that what he says will happen, will indeed take place, regardless of how things look at a particular moment. Psalm 16:9 "Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth; my flesh also shall rest in hope." Psalm 31:24 "Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart (mind, will, emotions), all ye that hope in the LORD."

Psalm 39:7 "And now, Lord what wait I for? My hope is in thee." Colossians 1:27b "Christ in you the hope of glory." Hebrews 11:1 "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

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BIBLICAL ANSWERS FOR MORAL INJURY

Moral Injury is the result of actions perceived to be a violation of one's moral conscience producing profound emotional shame and is seen often as spiritual transgression. It also involves a violation of a person's strongly held moral or religious beliefs. This occurs frequently in war and IT HAS A SOLUTION!! We must first agree that our arbitrary rules are not necessarily God's rules. God's rules will be the ones that we will answer for when violated, not ours. Jesus Christ understands this! God's standard for right and wrong must be judged and Jesus Christ did that. Maybe you feel you had to perform duties under a R.O.E. that was unjust. Now you feel guilty. GUESS WHAT, NO ONE has ever gone through more in regards to being treated unjustly more than Jesus Christ. He was guiltless and yet the Romans under the direction of the religious Jews had Jesus flogged and then crucified him (Luke 23:13-33). Jesus had every right to be angry for what was done to him. Just as a soldier has a mission that he must perform, so did Jesus have a mission to perform. He was given the mission by his Heavenly Father to die for the sins of the world. You and Me. As he suffered in silence during the flogging and then as he spoke just a few words on the cross he revealed to all around him that day and to others that would read of it later in Scripture what was on his heart and mind. Jesus was expressing his thoughts on moral

injury when he spoke in Matthew 27:46, "...My God, my God why hast thou forsaken me?" When trauma hits its climax, we question what God is doing, and we question what we did wrong. God abandoned Jesus at that moment because he became sin for mankind, paying for the guilt and shame of sin.

Because Jesus died for sin we do not have to have guilt tear us apart. Understanding what God says is sin is crucially important to knowing what needs forgiveness. We need to know that the price of what God declares sin that has been paid in full when Jesus completed his mission saying in John 19:30, "...It is finished..." Jesus had paid in full the complete requirement so that all sin and the guilt that comes with it is answered. God is satisfied with Jesus's sacrifice. Luke 23:34, "...Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do..." When a soldier is plagued by guilt in violation of his personal moral code and has injured himself there is forgiveness, cleansing and release from all shame.

Jesus has the answer for all sin, no matter how great or small. Remember, it is written "...It Is finished..." Mission complete, all sin has been paid for as required by the moral judge of the universe.

Entering the military is a BIG deal. MEPS determines your qualification. Swearing in, select your job based on ability, trained and then service rendered. It's how it is done. Just as America builds its military, Christ builds his church, (Matthew 16:18, "...I will build

my church..."). Jesus qualifies all his soldiers when one gets redeemed through salvation. After that, training (discipleship) should take place and then service rendered. Jesus provides all benefits. Strength and ability to overcome all adversity is a benefit also. In Christianity benefits come through the death of the Commander.

HOW TO OVERCOME MORAL INJURY: COME INTO THE SERVICE OF THE SAVIOUR.

Admit you are a sinner. You are probably already there. You are reading this pamphlet. Romans 3:23 says, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23.

Repent of your sin and trust Jesus Christ as your Saviour for what he did for you on the Cross when shed his blood, died, and rose again for all sinners.

Believe it by faith and the guilt is gone. To strengthen your faith, follow orders.