

# Generational Memorial Day

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## **Introduction**

### Memorial

Means: Record, Monument, Memory

### In the US. This weekend is known at Memorial Day Weekend

\* Memorial Day is a United States federal holiday observed on the last Monday of May

\* Formerly known as Decoration Day, it commemorates U.S. men and women who died while in the military service

**According to Professor David Blight of the Yale University History Department, the first memorial day was observed by formerly enslaved black people at the Washington Race Course (today the location of Hampton Park) in Charleston, South Carolina**

\* The race course had been used as a temporary Confederate prison camp in 1865 as well as a mass grave for Union soldiers who died there

**Immediately after the cessation of hostilities, formerly enslaved people exhumed the bodies from the mass grave and reinterred them properly with individual graves**

\* They built a fence around the graveyard with an entry arch and declared it a Union graveyard

\* The work was completed in only ten days

\* On May 1, 1865, the Charleston newspaper reported that a crowd of up to ten thousand, mainly black residents, including 2800 children, proceeded to the location for included sermons, singing, and a picnic on the grounds, thereby creating the first Decoration Day

**The alternative name of "Memorial Day" was first used in 1882**

- \* It did not become more common until after World War II, and was not declared the official name by Federal law until 1967
- \* The last Monday in May was set forth as the day we celebrate Memorial Day
- \* The law took effect at the federal level in 1971

**Traditional observance of Memorial Day has diminished over the years**

- \* Many Americans nowadays have forgotten the meaning and traditions of Memorial Day
- \* We are to remember those who have fallen in service to this country
- \* You see this weekend is not for a race, a picnic, days off work
- \* Memorials are set in place so that the memory will not be forgotten – that the Memorial set in place spans generations!

**We are to remember the great sacrifice that was made by others who gave their life so we may live! Freedom has a very high cost!**

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- \* Out of a burning bush high on a mountain top Moses kneeled in the very presence of God
- \* A bush on fire with the presence of God
- \* The angel of the Lord [referencing Jesus Christ] appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed.
- \* Simply it was not destroyed but was totally engulfed in the fire of God

## **You have the voice of God, Jesus Christ and the fire of the Holy Ghost on top of Mt. Horeb**

- \* From this most Holy God Head the voice of God speaks to Moses
- \* All the personage of the Triune God *imparts into* the purpose, destiny, and ministry of Moses! How Awesome it that!
- \* God don't mess around when He is about to set deliverance in place

### **How true this is even for me and you today**

#### **Exodus 3:6 (KJV)**

**“Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God”**

- \* God told Moses I have heard the cry of my people
- \* He said I am now getting ready to deliver them
- \* And I am going to use you Moses you will become the vessel I will work through

#### **Exodus 3:8 (KJV)**

**“And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites”**

- \* I will deliver them to a promised land
- \* And it will flow with great blessings
- \* And in that land of great blessing will also be their enemy
- \* God will and wants to deliver you and bless you in the midst of your enemy
- \* The Lord wants to use you
- \* He sets a banquet table in the midst of your enemy

**God will prosper you in the Land of giants so generations will see!**

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Exodus 3: 9-10 (KJV)

“9 Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and *I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.*

10 Come now therefore, and *I will send thee* unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt”

\* Now this is something to remember isn't

\* In fact it was so awesome and powerful that even today we are reading and remembering this chain of events.

Exodus 3:13-14 (KJV)

“And Moses said unto God, Behold, when I come unto the children of Israel, and shall say unto them, The God of your fathers hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me, What is his name? What shall I say unto them?

14 And God said unto Moses, I AM THAT I AM: and he said, Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you”

Now, what was God's reply to this argument, the argument that uses people's ignorance and skepticism as an excuse for not serving God

\* Moses was to declare God's name to the people: "I AM WHO I AM"

**We must declare the name of God to the people of our generation**

\* God is the great "I AM" the only living and true God, the only God who truly exists, the only God we are to worship and serve

**God said to Moses – “I AM that I AM” – tell them “I AM” set you!**

The word Jehovah or Yahweh comes from the verb "to be"

**It means simply "I AM"**

\* "I AM who I AM" [Shakespeare – wrote “To be or not To be” that is the question – not to infer anything just a quote everyone is familiar with]

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**This means that God is...**

- \* **The Self-Existent One**
- \* **The God who exists (who alone exists and who can never cease to exist)**
- \* **The Eternal One**
- \* **The Perfect One**
- \* **The Absolute One**
- \* **The Uncaused One**

**The idea expressed by the name is...that of real, perfect, unconditional, independent existence**

**There are two wonderful facts about the name Jehovah**

**1. Jehovah is the God who is personal and who reveals Himself. Jehovah is the personal name of God, the name that shows that God is the God of revelation**

**\* It is the name God chose for Himself when He revealed Himself to Moses (Exodus 3:14)**

**2. Jehovah is the God who establishes a personal relationship with man—caring and looking after every need which man may have. He is man's special guardian, completely dependable and utterly trustworthy. He can be relied upon totally**

**\* Jehovah is the redemptive name of God. God is the LORD (Jehovah, Yahweh), the God of redemption, salvation, and deliverance**

**The word Jehovah is sometimes combined with other words in the Old Testament. These combined words paint a revealing picture of God's redemptive dealings with man.**

**Jehovah-Jireh**

**"Jehovah will provide" or "The Lord who has already seen the provision" - He provides the needed sacrifice**

**Genesis 22:14 (KJV)**

**“And Abraham called the name of that place Jehovahjireh: as it is said to this day, In the mount of the Lord it shall be seen”**

**\* This is the emphasis that is line with the Text I am preaching today**

**\* I will give you the other names for you to personally study and to solidify the awesome truth that God is “I AM”**

**Jehovah-Ropheka or Rapha**

**"Jehovah who heals you" Exodus 15:26**

**Jehovah-Nissii**

**"Jehovah is my banner." Victory over one's enemies (physical or spiritual) is wholly due to "the Lord our banner" Exodus 17:15**

**Jehovah- Meqaaddeshkem**

**"Jehovah who sanctifies you" Exodus 31:13**

**Jehovah-Shalom**

**"Jehovah is Peace" Judges 6:24**

**Jehovah-Hoseenu**

**"Jehovah, the Lord our God" Psalm 99:5, 8-9**

**Jehovah-Tsabaoth**

**"Jehovah of hosts" 1 Samuel 1:3**

**Jehovah-Elyon**

**"Jehovah Most High" Psalm 7:17**

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**Jehovah-Roi**

**"Jehovah, my shepherd"** Psalm 23:1

**Jehovah-Elohay**

**"Jehovah, the Lord my God"** Zech. 14:5

**Jehovah-Tsidkenu**

**"Jehovah is our righteousness"** Jeremiah 23:6; Jeremiah 33:16

**Jehovah-Shammah**

**"Jehovah is there." "He is there" in the future as well as there now, in the present** - Ezekiel 48:35; Isaiah 60:14-22; Isaiah 62:2; Rev. 21:2

**Jehovah-Elohim**

**"Jehovah the eternal creator"** Genesis 2:4-25

**Adonai-Jehovah**

**"Jehovah the Sovereign Lord, our Master"** Genesis 15:2, 8

**Jehovah-Hoseenu or Eloheenu**

**"Jehovah, the Lord our God"** Psalm 99:5, 8-9

**Jehovah-Eloheka**

**"Jehovah, the Lord your God"** Exodus 20:2, 5, 7

## Generational Memorial Day

### Jehovah-Jireh

**"Jehovah will provide" or "The Lord who has already seen the provision" - He provides the needed sacrifice**

\* A Word for you today!

\* My God - The Great "I Am" – will provide!

**Simply hear this my friends – You God [Jehovah God] has already seen the provision!**

### 2 Kings 4:1-2 (KJV)

**“Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the Lord: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.**

**2 And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil”**

\* A widow went to the man of God [Elisha] and reminded him that her husband was a prophet that her husband feared the Lord

\* The wife of a servant of the **Lord**

[Lord translated Jehovah God - "the existing One" - the proper name of the one true God"]

\* The wife of a servant of Jehovah God went to **Elisha** [Translated "God is salvation"]

\* She simply told him my husband a prophet of the Lord has died and left us with a mortgage on our home.

\* The creditor is on his way to take my home and my sons – they will become slaves to the creditor – they have to pay the price for the debt owed.

**2 Kings 4:2 (KJV)**

“And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? Tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil”

\* Elisha [God is salvation] said to her what do you want – simply make your need known

\* Before she could answer the man of God said – I want you to tell me what do you have in your house?

\* Her faith responded by saying – we have nothing in the house BUT A **POT OF OIL!**

**Now you have to remember that Oil [olive] - was a very rare and precious thing to have during a drought – when things are dry and barrenness tries to set in – a little oil and a spark is all you need to start a fire**

\* Some of you need to look around your home and find the oil – you need to gather up the oil

**2 Kings 4:3-5 (KJV)**

“Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, even empty vessels; borrow not a few.

4 And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full.

5 So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out”

\* Get the word out in the community – get the word out that God is about to do something concerning the oil – get there empty vessels – they have empty vessels – BUT you say you have a Pot of Oil!

\* Get as many empty vessels as you can – **you and your sons get inside that house and shut the door!**

**10.**

**Now when you are in this setting – Take your OIL and start pour it into the empty borrowed vessels – pour it into your neighbors emptiness**

**\* SHE POURED**

**\* SHE POURED out the Oil in Her House – in the presence of her sons!**

**\* SHE POURED**

**Somebody Shout – A Generational Memorial Day**

**Now what – lets look at the very request make to Elisha**

**2 Kings 4:1-2 (NIV)**

**“ 1 The wife of a man from the company of the prophets cried out to Elisha, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that he revered the LORD. But now his creditor is coming to take my two boys as his slaves”**

**\* Her husband – from the company of prophets – Your servant is dead**

**\* She makes the statement – You know that he revered [was devoted to] the Lord [Jehovah God – the one true existing God]**

**Who was this man?**

**1 Kings 18:1-4 (KJV)**

**“And it came to pass after many days, that the word of the Lord came to Elijah in the third year, saying, Go, shew thyself unto Ahab; and I will send rain upon the earth.**

**2 And Elijah went to shew himself unto Ahab. And there was a sore *famine* in Samaria.**

**3 And Ahab *called Obadiah*, which was the governor of his house.**

**4 (Now Obadiah feared the Lord greatly: For it was so, when Jezebel cut off the prophets of the Lord, that Obadiah took an hundred prophets, and hid them by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water.)”**

**\* The Word of the Lord came to **Elijah** – ["my God is Jehovah" or "Yah(u) is God"]**

**\* The man of God prophetically spoke to Ahab the king – NO Rain is coming – a famine was in the Land.**

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\* **Obadiah**: "servant of Jehovah"

**The Bible makes note that this *MAN FEARED THE LORD GREATLY***

\* This man **Obadiah** [servant of Jehovah – one true existing God] took one hundred prophets of God and hid them by fifty in a cave

\* **Obadiah** – [servant of Jehovah – one true existing God] **FED THEM**

**The historian Josephus makes reference that Obadiah is the same man that is referenced in 2 Kings 4 when the widow reminds Elisha [God is salvation] that her husband had passed and creditors are coming – the home will be lost and she and late husbands sons are about to be put in bondage**

\* **Obadiah** put his home in debt to feed the men of God to literally pay for the bread and water [famine was in the land] to hid them in a cave – to literally save their life

\* His faithfulness would not be forgotten by the Jehovah God!

\* He died before the debt could be paid

\* But Jehovah God the great **“I Am”** was about to show up

Jehovah-Jireh

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**A GENERATIONAL MEMORIAL DAY was about to take place in the lives of many – even today we REMEMBER this powerful Teaching**

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5 So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out.

6 And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, There is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.

7 Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest”

- \* You see this just did not happen
- \* The Water – The Bread – The Oil
- \* Were present in this families generational blessing

**Servants of God will be taken care of not only in their life time but for Generations to Come – God blesses sacrifice**

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**Somebody shout Generational Memorial Day**

**Matthew 1:1**

“The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham”

- \* The Book of the Generation of Jesus Christ
- \* Jesus: ["Jehovah is salvation"]

**Jesus – God incarnate - the living Word of God**

**John 3:15-16 (KJV)**

**“That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.  
16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that  
whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life”**

**I want to remind you this morning on the Memorial Day weekend - that  
God loves you so much that he gave you his only begotten Son [Jesus]**

**\* If you believe in him you can receive true freedom from sin – you can  
have everlasting life!**

**Romans 5:8**

**“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet  
sinners, Christ died for us”**

**I want to take advantage of a Memorial Day celebration to remind you  
that Jesus Christ died for you**

**You see just as the real meaning of Memorial Day has diminished its  
meaning throughout the years**

**\* Same has the Word of God in many circles**

**\* I have Good God Gospel News for you today**

**\* Jesus Saves!**

**\* Saves us from what?**

**\* Saves us from our sins!**

**Romans 6:23**

**"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through  
Jesus Christ our Lord"**

**Acts 3:19**

**"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out,  
when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord"**

Romans 5:9

“Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him”

**On this Memorial Day 2010**

\* I want it to be very clear – Jesus Christ saves us from our sins  
 \* We need to set this with clarity into the hearts, minds and souls of this generation and those to come if the Lord tarries.

Deuteronomy 7:9

“Know therefore that the LORD thy God, he is God, the faithful God, which keepeth covenant and mercy with them that love him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations”

Psalm 45:17

“I will make thy name to be remembered in all generations: therefore shall the people praise thee for ever and ever”

Psalm 89:1

“I will sing of the mercies of the LORD for ever: with my mouth will I make known thy faithfulness to all generations”

Psalm 90:1

“Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations”

Psalm 135:13

“Thy name, O LORD, endureth for ever; and **thy memorial**, O LORD, throughout all generations”

“For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and **his truth endureth** **to all** generations”

**Let us never forget what Gods Memorial Day is all about!**