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Names of God Series
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Our God is an Awesome God
Exodus 17

Memorial Day began as a time of remembering those who paid the supreme sacrifice of their life for their country during the Civil War. More than 1.3 million men and women have died defending America during wartime. May we never forget that freedom is not free and that there is a role to play by every American citizen when the nation is called to war. Many Americans seem to forget that we are at war right now and facing the greatest enemy the world has ever seen as hundreds of millions of Islamic extremists get up every day and renew their vows to their god to kill you and me. Today we remember that Our God is an Awesome God...and that He has preserved our freedom through the willing sacrifice of millions of brave Americans who have served in our Armed Services.

I. Leaving Sin (v.1)

- A. No Water (v.1)
- B. No Patience (v.2-3a)
- C. No Memory (v.3b)

II. Leaning on God

- A. The right question (v.4)
- B. The rich provision (v.5)
 - 1. Walk (v.5)
 - 2. Watch (v.6)
 - 3. Willing (v.6)
 - 4. Water (v.6)
 - 5. Warning (v.7)(Meribah means quarreling)

III. Leaning on Each Other

- A. The Warriors they engaged (v.8)
- B. The Warriors they employed (v.9)
- C. The Warfare they waged (v.10)
 - 1. Some prayed (v.8)
 - 2. Some engaged (vs.9-10)
 - 3. Moses waned (vs.11-12)
 - 4. Aaron and Hur interceded (v.12)
 - 5. Israel won (v.13)
 - 6. All remembered (v.14)

IV. Lessons for Us

- A. Record the great things God has Done
- B. Recall the greatness of God to succeeding generations
- C. Return to the Memorials from time to time

V. Lord of All...Jehovah Nissi (v.15)

- A. We pledge allegiance to America
Noah Webster said, "Whatever makes men good Christians makes men good citizens."
- B. We place our reliance with the Lord