

## **British Values by Those Who Valued Them**

*“I was standing beside Corporal Griffiths, who had his Lewis gun between his elbows on the dew-soaked parapet...Vigilant and serious he stared straight ahead of him and a fine picture of fortitude he made. He was only a stolid young farmer from Montgomeryshire; only; but such men, I think were England, in those dreadful years of war” – Captain Siegfried Sassoon **The Complete Memoirs of George Sherston***

*“Friends had died in the defence of our Indian Empire, but had not our leaders sent it into liquidation by one fell swoop of a pen, so that the clock had now been put back two hundred years to the last days of the Moguls...by garrulous politicians – by demagogues who have never lifted a finger for the Commonwealth except to criticise it from a tub.*

*“It was hard to believe that Hector and Tom and Gil gave their lives at Alamein so that in less than three years their country could sign away its interests in the Suez Canal...*

*“Where was the meaning? With the Union Jack still flying over nearly one-fifth of the world’s land surface, however much it is daily reduced, they say we are a bankrupt, third-rate Power. It can only be true, if it is true, through pure mismanagement...I asked myself if our leaders had stolen our soul [because]...up in the snow on Cisa Pass [with Partisans]...we were British proud to be British” – Major Roy Farran **Winged Dagger, Adventures on Special Service***

*“[T]he Britain they [14<sup>th</sup> Army Burma veterans] see in their old age is hardly “the land fit for heroes” that they envisaged...It was a reasonable, perfectly possible dream, and for a time, it existed, more or less. And then it changed, in the name of progress and improvement, and enlightenment, which meant the destruction of much that they had fought for and held dear, and the betrayal of familiar things that they had loved. Some of them, to superficial minds, will seem terribly trivial, even ludicrously so – things like county names, and shillings and pence, and the King James Version, and yards and feet and inches – yet they matter to a nation.*

*“They did not fight for a Britain which would be dishonestly railroaded into Europe against the people’s will; they did not fight for a Britain where successive governments, by their weakness and folly, would encourage crime and violence on an unprecedented scale...they did not fight for a Britain where to hold by truths and values which have been thought good and worthy for a thousand years would be to run the risk of being called “fascist” – that, really, is the greatest and most pitiful irony of all” – George MacDonald Fraser **Quartered Safe Out Here, A Recollection of the War in Burma***

***“In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established”*** 2 Corinthians 13:1.

Those witnesses espoused British values of fortitude, self-sacrifice and long-standing loyalty. It is heartening that those values are not done with because “*the King James Version*” is not done with and never will be. Note this exhortation from a genuine Briton who espoused another British value, that of resolve.

As will be seen, the King James Bible does resolve best, incomparably best.

***“You Do Your Worst and We Will Do Our Best”***

Winston S. Churchill, July 14<sup>th</sup> 1941

[www.winstonchurchill.org/resources/speeches/1941-1945-war-leader/you-do-your-worst-and-we-will-do-our-best](http://www.winstonchurchill.org/resources/speeches/1941-1945-war-leader/you-do-your-worst-and-we-will-do-our-best)

The Right Honourable  
Sir Winston Churchill  
KG, OM, CH, TD, DL, FRS, RA



Prime Minister of the United Kingdom  
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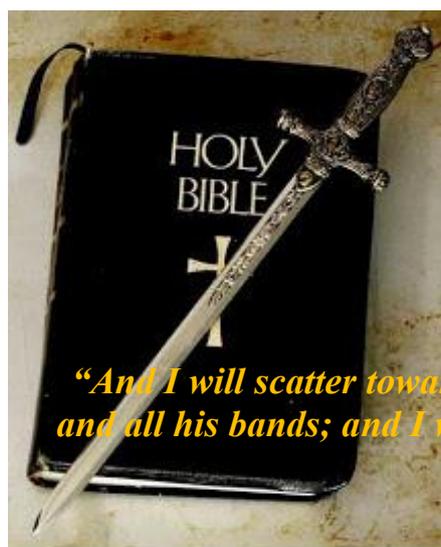
*“We ask no favours of the enemy. We seek from them no compunction...Where you have been the least resisted there you have been the most brutal...We will have no truce or parley with you, or the grisly gang who work your wicked will. You do your worst - and we will do our best. Perhaps it may be our turn soon; perhaps it may be our turn now...”* It is:

*“For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind...”* Hosea 8:7



Reaping the Whirlwind  
[the-ten.blogspot.co.uk/2013/07/reaping-whirlwind.html](http://the-ten.blogspot.co.uk/2013/07/reaping-whirlwind.html)

*“Then did I beat them small as the dust before the wind”* Psalm 18:42 any and all:



*“And I will scatter toward every wind all that are about him to help him, and all his bands; and I will draw out the sword after them”* Ezekiel 12:14



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*“for the sword of the LORD shall devour from the one end of the land even to the other end of the land: no flesh shall have peace”* Jeremiah 12:12

Cases of upheld British values follow with *“the sword of the LORD”* pre-eminent:

**British Values versus “the prophetess Noadiah” aka Nicky Morgan**  
**“Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong”**  
 1 Corinthians 16:13



**“Out of ammunition. God Save the King” Arnhem Road Bridge September 1944**

**Introduction**

Possessed of **“An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations”** Proverbs 6:18 with a mindset **“Having the understanding darkened”** Ephesians 4:18 **“the prophetess Noadiah...that would have put me in fear”** Nehemiah 6:14 aka {2019 Update: At the time of writing} Education Secretary Nicky Morgan is obsessed with stamping out Christian schools because according to Nicky they don’t teach British values<sup>1</sup>.

Nicky Morgan {2019 Update: and politicians like her} knows no more about British values than Jezebel for whom **“This is the word of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Elijah the Tishbite...the carcase of Jezebel shall be as dung upon the face of the field in the portion of Jezreel; so that they shall not say, This is Jezebel”** 2 Kings 9:36-37.

The aforementioned British values of fortitude, self-sacrifice, long-standing loyalty and resolve may be grouped as Manliness, Steadfastness, Faithfulness, all of which are predicated on the 1611 Holy Bible. This work shows why.

**British Values are King James Bible Values**

This is from the Roman Catholic writer F. W. Faber<sup>2</sup>, speaking in the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century.

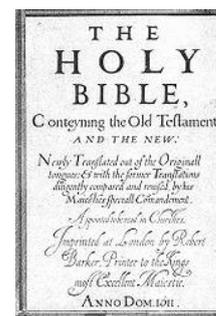
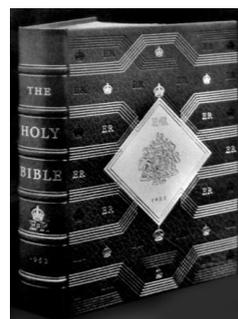
*“Who will not say that the uncommon beauty and marvellous English of the Protestant Bible is not one of the great strongholds of heresy [Protestant Bible belief] in this country? It lives on the ear like music that can never be forgotten, like the sound of church bells. Its felicities often seem to be things rather than words. It is part of the national mind, and the anchor of national seriousness.”*

The second is from the noted historian, Dr David Starkey from his series *Monarchy* and the episode on King James 1<sup>st</sup>.

“The King James Version of the Bible, more than any other book, formed the English language and shaped the English mind.” Furthermore “The King James Version of the Bible” governs Britain.

### **British Values are King James Bible Governance**

This is how it is for Britain today with respect to “*the lively oracles*” Acts 7:38. These are the terms and conditions of the Coronation Oath. The Oath is sealed with the King James Bible<sup>3</sup>, presented to the monarch. The presenter at Queen Elizabeth II’s Coronation was the Moderator of the Church of Scotland, with these words. “*Our gracious Queen: to keep your Majesty ever mindful of the Law and the Gospel of God as the Rule for the whole life and government of Christian Princes, we present you with this Book, the most valuable thing that this world affords. Here is Wisdom [Revelation 13:18]; This is the royal Law [James 2:8]; These are the lively Oracles of God [Acts 7:38, Romans 3:2, Hebrews 5:12, 1 Peter 4:11].*”



**The Coronation Bible and Title Page**

See *Royal Law – James 2v8* [www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/](http://www.timefortruth.co.uk/why-av-only/).

The Oath puts all HM subjects under the governance of the King James Bible. If you don’t like being under the governance of the King James Bible, then emigrate because you are a traitor. Turning to Manliness, the first of the British values specified above, the following example is explicit.

### **Company Sergeant Major Hollis, Teessider, the One D-Day VC<sup>4</sup>**

Despite the combined AVREs and infantry advance from Gold Beach, the 6<sup>th</sup> Green Howards were held up by machine gun fire from a hidden pillbox. CSM Stanley Hollis from Teesside described what happened<sup>5</sup>. “*Major Lofthouse said to me, “there is a pillbox there, Sergeant Major”...So I got my Sten gun and I rushed at it...spraying it hosepipe fashion. They fired back at me and they missed...I got on top of it and I threw a grenade through the slit and...They were quite willing to forget all about the war.*” Hollis won the one D-Day VC. His CO, Lieutenant-Colonel Robin Hastings, said “[CSM Hollis] was absolutely dedicated to winning the war – one of the few men I ever met who felt like that.” God wants such men; **“go now ye that are men, and serve the LORD; for that ye did desire”** Exodus 10:11.

Therefore as further exhortations of the British value of manliness declare:

**“Be of good courage, and let us play the men for our people, and for the cities of our God: and the LORD do that which seemeth him good”** 2 Samuel 10:12.

**“Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong”** 1 Corinthians 16:13 leading to the next example of British values, namely steadfastness.

### **“God save the king!” - The national anthem and a paratrooper’s farewell**

Men who serve the Lord do so with steadfastness, as these next examples show.

The expression **“God save the king!”** is of course part of England’s national anthem and well-known as such. However, that expression turned up in an unusual place in World War 2. On September 17<sup>th</sup> 1944, British Army paratroopers captured the north end of the road bridge across the Nederrijn or Lower Rhine in the Dutch town of Arnhem<sup>6</sup>. See graphic above. After four days of heavy fighting, the paratroopers were finally overwhelmed by superior German forces but on the morning of Thursday September 21<sup>st</sup>, a paratroop signaller **“known unto God”** Acts 15:18, Philippians 4:6 radioed a final message from somewhere near the Arnhem Road Bridge.

The last bit of the message said<sup>7</sup> **“Out of ammunition. God Save the King.”**

The phrase **“God save the king!”** is from the King James Bible. The words occur 5 times, in 1 Samuel 10:24, 2 Samuel 16:16 twice, 2 Kings 11:12, 2 Chronicles 23:11. They will stand there forever.

That reading illustrates something about the 1611 English Bible. The Author of the Book said in Hebrews 13:5 ***“I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.”*** And the Book is like its Author. Therefore when you are face-to-face with the enemy and all the shots seem to be his, the British value of steadfastness is to stick with your God and your King via the Book. The Book won’t let you down.

***“For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart”*** Hebrews 4:12.

### **D, then D plus One**

This writer was privileged to receive a signed photograph from one such man...US paratrooper, Lieutenant later Major Richard D. Winters. See picture. Lieutenant Winters landed in Normandy with the 506<sup>th</sup> Parachute Infantry Regiment of the 101<sup>st</sup> US Airborne Division. Historian Stephen Ambrose<sup>8</sup> writes that at the end of D-Day ***“Before lying down, Winters later wrote in his diary, “I did not forget to get on my knees and thank God for helping me to live through this day and ask for his help on D plus one.””*** As the Lord said ***“Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof”*** Matthew 6:34, that is D, then D plus one in ***“the patient waiting for Christ”*** 2 Thessalonians 3:5. As Major Winters said ***“Hang tough!”*** That is the British value of steadfastness.

As Paul said ***“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord”*** 1 Corinthians 15:58.

***“Great is thy faithfulness”***

### **Sound of Battle - Christian faith at War**

[www.bbc.co.uk/stoke/features/2005/02/sound\\_of\\_battle.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/stoke/features/2005/02/sound_of_battle.shtml)



An artist's impression of a soldier in wartime

**Alan O' Reilly is the author of a book entitled 'Sound of Battle' which looks at the impact of Christianity on a soldier's life.**

**Set amongst the bitter fighting in Arnhem and North Africa during World War Two, the book also has Staffordshire references...**

**Alan O'Reilly's book is about a World War Two soldier from Staffordshire whose religious beliefs are tested in battle.**

Alan, a devout Christian himself, tells us how he came to write the story...

☞ I came to England from Australia in 1978 to work for ICI on Teesside. Two years later, I got married and still live in this country, in spite of the winters!

Soon after my arrival, I visited Staffordshire;



and have vivid memories of Cannock Chase and the Roaches.

They struck me as areas of outstanding natural beauty and when, after a visit to the WW2 battlefield areas of Arnhem in Holland, I decided to write a fact-based novel about wartime, it seemed right to include those areas in the book.

I reckoned that the main male character should be an athletic type who regularly ran the Roaches and subsequently trains on the Chase as an infantryman.

### **Christian soldier**

My character later transfers to the Parachute Regiment and sees action in North Africa, Sicily and at Arnhem during the 'Market Garden' operation, where he must reconcile his Christian beliefs with the hideous principle of 'killed or be killed' in desperate, close quarter fighting.



**The sheer panic, fear and terror of war**

That reconciliation is achieved largely through the knowledge that his comrades-in-arms depend on him, as he does on them, for sheer survival.

At times, that most basic of instincts can eclipse the strongest faith and lay bare our raw humanity.

### **'Sound of Battle...'**

The title Sound of Battle is drawn from the Bible text, Jeremiah 50:22: "A sound of battle is in the land, and of great destruction"

Jeremiah alludes to what is often the ordinary soldier's most distressing experience and indeed one of the cruellest of weapons used against him, the very sound of modern warfare, from shattering bombardments and the savage clatter of Spandau fire to the pitiful cries of friends wounded, dying or unhinged.

The book does have its gentler side, in the form of the main female character who becomes a Queen Alexandra's army nursing Sister but she too must strive to keep trusting in God's mercy when confronted with shockingly wounded men from the battlefield.

Not an easy task, especially when one's fiancé is posted Missing In Action.

### **Staffordshire memories**

The late Mr George Leigh, formerly of Stafford, who served with the 2nd Battalion, the Parachute Regiment, provided me with invaluable first-hand material for the campaigns in North Africa and Sicily.

For recollections of the 'Market Garden' operation, I was extremely fortunate during my Arnhem tour to meet a Mr Bill Croft, long-time resident of Tean (near Cheadle in North Staffordshire) who served with the 2nd Battalion the Grenadier Guards, all the way from Normandy to Germany itself.

When Bill's battalion arrived at Sandbostel Concentration Camp in about May 1945, he recalled that the first thing he saw was "a long grey mound, like the ash heaps back home."

It turned out to be a pile of decomposing bodies.

Bill passed away last December, aged 91.

### **A lasting tribute**

Sadly, the WW2 generation is passing from the scene and I like to think that 'Sound of Battle' will help to commemorate the efforts of Bill, George and others like them:

*We are children of Thy free men, who sleep beneath the sod.*

*By the might of Thine arm we bless thee, Our God, our fathers' God:*

***"...we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness"*** 2 Peter 3:13.

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### ***"Great is thy faithfulness"*** Lamentations 3:23

Lamentations 3:23 can apply for this beleaguered nation with respect to the Book. See remarks above on Hebrews 13:5 ***"I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."*** In dark times in the past it was Britain's faithfulness to ***"the book of the LORD"*** Isaiah 34:16 that got the nation through those times. That Britain was faithful to the Book then is shown by this evaluation.

*"In all these instances the Bible means the translation authorised by King James the First...to this day the common human Britisher or citizen of the United States of North America accepts and worships it as a single book by a single author, the book being the Book of Books and the author being God"* - George Bernard Shaw, a lifelong atheist<sup>9</sup> but who knew literature.

Britons can only benefit by returning to the British value of abiding faithful to *"the Book of Books."*

***"Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of hosts"*** Jeremiah 15:16.

### ***Conclusion***

This work has addressed the subject of British values, has shown by scripture and testimony what they actually are and has thereby revealed the subversive actions of ***"the prophetess Noadiah"*** Nehemiah 6:14 aka Nicky Morgan and her grisly gang ***"whose end is to be burned"*** Hebrews 6:8.

It is fitting therefore to have a closing word from another great Briton who valued British values, one of England's mighty men and faithful Bible believers, in a letter to the martyrologist, John Foxe<sup>10</sup>.

*"To my very loving friend John Foxe...continue a faithful remembrance of us in your prayers that our present service may take that good effect as God may be glorified, His Church, our Queen and country preserved and the enemy of truth [***"thy word is truth"*** John 17:17] utterly vanquished, that we may have continued peace in Israel\* - our enemies are many, but our Protector commandeth the*

*whole world, let us pray continually, and our Lord Jesus will help in good time mercifully” - Francis Drake. \*England.*

Drake wrote to Foxe in about 1587, not long before Foxe died.

The great victory over Spain - and Rome - was achieved the following year, when<sup>11</sup> ‘*God blew with His winds and they were scattered.*’ The prayers of John Foxe and Francis Drake were stunningly answered. They can be so answered again according to real British values and the promise of “*our Protector*” so that “*the enemy of truth*” and indeed “*our enemies...many*” like Nicky Morgan and her grisly gang “*were much cast down in their own eyes: for they perceived that this work was wrought of our God*” Nehemiah 6:16.

***“If ye abide in me, and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you” John 15:7.***

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