

*Remembering  
Sacrifices  
Of  
Love*

*1 Chronicles 11:15-19*

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**15 Now three of the thirty captains went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the host of the Philistines encamped in the valley of Rephaim.**

**16 And David was then in the hold, and the Philistines' garrison was then at Bethlehem.**

**17 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, that is at the gate!**

## **1 Chronicles 11:15-19 - continued**

**18 And the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: but David would not drink of it, but poured it out to the LORD.**

**19 And said, My God forbid it me, that I should do this thing: shall I drink the blood of these men that have put their lives in jeopardy? for with the jeopardy of their lives they brought it. Therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mightiest.**

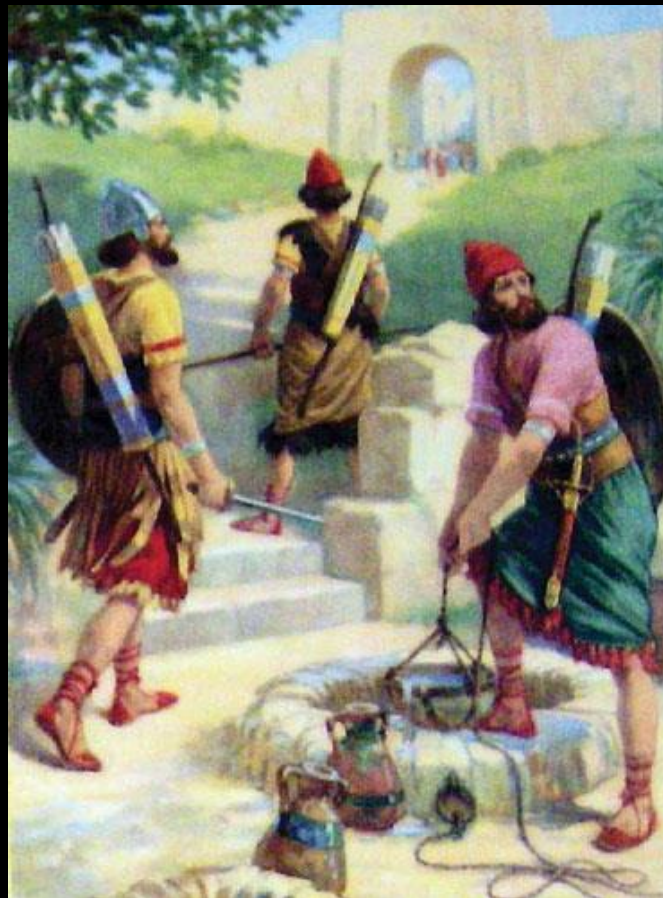
# Introduction

## A. Memorial Day is a time to remember



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## B. Remember David and his mighty men



# **I. David Desired Water From The Well In Bethlehem (v 17)**

**A. Bethlehem had been David's hometown**

**B. Memories are powerful motivators**

**Ezra 3:12**

**But many of the priests and Levites and chief of the fathers, who were ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice; and many shouted aloud for joy:**

# **I. David Desired Water From The Well In Bethlehem (v 17)**

**Do you long for a taste from a better time?**

**Do you thirst for a return of better days?**

## **II. David's Men Dared To Risk Everything To get Him A Drink (v 18)**

**A. Bethlehem was occupied by David's enemies**

**B. Three of David's captains set out to get him a drink  
Romans 5:7**

**For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.**



## **II. David's Men Dared To Risk Everything To get Him A Drink (v 18) (Verse – even some)**

**C. Jesus broke through enemy lines to bring us living water**

**Hebrews 12:3-4**

**3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.**

**4 Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.**

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**Revelation 21:6**

**And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.**

## **II. David's Men Dared To Risk Everything To get Him A Drink (v 18) (Verse – even some)**

**D. We should remember those who paid the ultimate sacrifice**

**E. We're in debt to those who've made sacrifices of love  
1 John 4:10**

**Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

**Romans 8:12**

**Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.**

### **III. David's Devotion Moved Him To Make A Sacrifice of Love (vv 18-19)**

**A. David couldn't drink the water brought to him**

**B. Does the memory of sacrifices of love move you?**

**C. How does the memory of the sacrifice of Christ affect  
you?**

# **Remembering Sacrifices of Love Ought To Change Us**

## **Galatians 5:1**

**Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith  
Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled  
again with the yoke of bondage.**