

WEEK 5

FLAGS

WHAT DO WE REPRESENT?

JUNE 26TH TO 30TH

THE BEGINNING OF THE END

On the 27th, in 1944, Allied forces liberate Cherbourg France, it is the beginning of the end for WWII. Just 21 days from the D-Day invasion, the allied forces secure victory and liberty, bringing hope to Europe that the end of the Second World War may become a reality.

LESSONS TO BE LEARNED

On the 28th, in 1919, the Treaty of Versailles is signed officially ending WWI. Lessons to be learned in negotiating a treaty. Officially this ended the war between Germany and the Allied Powers. However, this was not the only treaty, others were signed by the German Empire, Austro-Hungarian Empire, Ottoman Empire and Kingdom of Bulgaria. One detail that remains debated to this day, were the conditions to harsh or lenient, as they relate to the German people. Some will say that the conditions agreed to encouraged the rise of Hitler and the hell he was to release on the world years later.

In either event, the idea of accountability was nonexistent as Hitler began to disregard the conditions laid out by the Treaty. In 1934, Hitler began to withhold payments for war reparations, canceling debt payments and finally he began to build up another German military. German pride evidenced itself as the people coalesced around the Nazi party.

THE COST OF PRIDE

As we close out the month, consider the coat of arms that are common among royal family lines. Always great meaning was attributed to the colors and symbols that were adapted into the designs. Whether the coat of arms was placed on a flag, on stationary or onto a building, they intent is always the same, to show great pride in your history and legacy as a family. Sometimes this pride is sufficient to begin and enable wars.

However, there is one flag, the "Title of Liberty" that was created out of the cloth from one's coat and fastened to a pole. A simple means to rally support for a community's convictions, not to include any symbols or elaborate colors but just a simple message, "***In memory of our God, our religion, and freedom, and our peace, our wives and our children***".

As one considers the world in which we live, how might your "Title of Liberty" read?

How will you rally your family and community to defend principles of truth?

Our Constitution is designed to grant all people freedoms based on Natural Law, so that "we the people" have vast rights and privileges, while the federal government has limited Enumerated Powers, the States as creators and ratifiers to the Constitution having defined rights, leaving all other rights to the people.

