

# MEN'S MINISTRY

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Proverbs 27:17

## Don't Die Stupid By: Jeff Searcy

**W**elcome to September. Summer is nearing an end ... except for many of us who still are enjoying, only partially I'm sure, temperatures in 90s. College football is literally knocking down the door. Professional football, hockey, and basketball are upon us. Professional baseball is winding down and getting ready for the playoffs and the fall classic. And, school is in full swing for most of the country. Sorry, kids. Fall is one of my favorite times of the year as it marks the end of one season and sparks the excitement and anticipation of a new one upcoming. Enough about fall ... on to the matter at hand.

I know that you are probably scratching your head and asking yourself, "What in the world is he talking about ... **Don't Die Stupid™**?" I truly hope this is not the case, but I have to accept the fact that many of you may have taken offense to the title and adopted an "I don't think I like his tone" attitude. Again, I hope not. If I may, this article marks my one year anniversary as a contributor to *Power Source Magazine*. It has been awesome. I am truly grateful for the opportunity to share what God places on my heart with you. I hope that I will get the benefit of the doubt and that you will hold judgment until the end. If not ... it's okay. I understand. Pssst ... If you want to keep reading, I won't tell anyone.

'Don't die stupid' is a saying that has been used by the military for decades. It is simply a statement that makes the point of, well, don't end up dead because you did something you knew you shouldn't or didn't do something you knew you should. In other words, don't get shot in the head while holding your helmet in your hand. Don't get shot in the chest with your body armor lying on the floor next to you. Or, don't get shot in the backside because you didn't dig your hole deep enough and half of your body could be seen by the enemy. Need I continue? It is about making sure you do the things necessary to reduce the chances of getting killed in battle. But at the end of the day, dying is inevitable, and when God calls us home, we go. However, He also gives us the sense not to assist in a premature earthly exit.

Now, despite the fact that there will be many who may disagree with me, I am convinced there has not been a more important statement ever made ... period ... by anyone ... than the one made by Jesus Christ when He told His disciples, "...I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." (John 14:6) The Bible is the inerrant and inspired Word of God. Spending time in it is how we grow and strengthen our relationship with God, and it is how He speaks to us. Bottom line, if nothing else is obtained from time spent in God's Word, you had better get the fact that Jesus is the only way to Heaven or else an eternity in hell will be your fate. Period. End of story. Do not pass go, and do not collect \$200. Do not let

the somewhat lighthearted nature of the Monopoly reference reduce the severity of dying without knowing Jesus Christ as your personal Savior. Needless to say, its importance cannot be overstated.

If I may, I would like to share some important research findings. Fact: One out of one people die ... with the overwhelming majority having no idea when or where death will occur. Fact: Death is not optional. However, how one dies is. Of course, I am not referring to the manner in which death occurs, but the state of the heart. So ... Don't Die Stupid.

This summer, Servant Warrior Ministries launched a "Knowledge Initiative" called **Don't Die Stupid™**. Our goal is to reach anyone and everyone, especially the younger generations, and share with them the most important thing they could ever learn ... that Jesus Christ is the way, the truth, the life, and the **ONLY** way to Heaven. (John 14:6) Whether we choose to accept it or not, we are in a battle of life and death. And if someone knew how to ensure victory in that battle, not to share that information with the world would be a tragedy ... not to mention violate the directive given by our Savior to "make disciples of all the nations" (Matthew 28:19 NIV) and "Go everywhere and announce the message of God's good news to one and all." (Mark 16:15-16 MSG)

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In his letter to the Corinthian church, the Apostle Paul said, "Even though I am free from demands and expectations of everyone, I have voluntarily become a servant to any and all in order to reach a wide range of people: religious, nonreligious, meticulous moralists, loose-living immoralists, the defeated, the demoralized — whoever. I didn't take on their way of life. I kept my bearings in Christ — but entered their world and tried to experience things from their point of view. I've become just about every sort of servant there is in my attempts to lead those I meet into a God-saved life." (1 Corinthians 9:19-22) I share his vision. Amen!

Join Servant Warrior in our mission to spread the message and the life-saving news of Jesus Christ. Visit [DontDieStupid.net](http://DontDieStupid.net) or [ServantWarriorMinistries.org](http://ServantWarriorMinistries.org), and buy your **Don't Die Stupid™** T-shirt, bumper sticker, or decal. Buy one for a friend or someone you care about because ... Friends Don't Let Friends Die Stupid.

Keep it real ... Armor Up **PS**

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