

Take a Knee? - An Editors Opinion

I know you've all heard about the clash between President Trump and the NFL. I guess I'd have to say...I've had ENOUGH and I decided to let ya'll read an AWESOME post I read from a friend on Facebook. I think you'll have to agree that it speaks Mountains. I added the links in case ya'll want to do some more reading about the things that are mentioned.

- Take a little trip to Valley Forge in January. If you don't know where that is, just Google it from the sidelines. Hold a musket ball in your fingers and imagine it piercing your flesh and breaking a bone or two. There won't be a doctor or trainer to assist you until after the battle, so just wait your turn. Take your cleats and socks off to get a real experience. Then take a knee.

Then, take one at the beach in Normandy where man after American man stormed the beach, even as the one in front of him was shot to pieces...the very sea stained with American blood. The only blockers most had were the dead bodies in front of them, riddled with bullets from enemy fire.

Take a knee in the sweat soaked jungles of Vietnam, from Khe Sanh to Saigon...anywhere will do.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Khe_Sanh Real Americans died in all those jungles. There was no playbook that told them what was next, but they knew what flag they represented. When they came home, they were protested as well, and spit on for reasons only cowards know.

Take another knee in the blood drenched sands of Fallujah in 110 degree heat. Wear your Kevlar helmet and battle dress...your number won't be printed on it unless your number is up! You'll need to stay hydrated but there won't be anyone to squirt Gatorade into your mouth. You're on your own. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Fallujah_during_the_Iraq_War

There's a lot of places to take a knee. Real Americans have given their lives all over the world. When you use the banner under which they fought as a source for your displeasure, you dishonor the memories of those who bled for the very freedoms you have. That's what the red stripes mean. It represents the blood of those who spilled a sea of it defending your liberty. It has nothing to do with race or color.....these hero's didn't care what color you were because they fought for AMERICA!

While you're on your knee, pray for those that came before you, not on a manicured lawn striped and printed with numbers to announce every inch of ground taken....but on nameless hills and bloodied beaches and sweltering forests and bitter cold mountains...every inch marked by an American life lost serving that flag you protest.

No cheerleaders, no announcers, no coaches, no fans...just American men and women...delivering the real fight against those who chose to harm us...blazing a path so you would have the right to "take a knee." You haven't an inkling of what it took to get you where you are; but your "protest" is duly noted.

Not only is it disgraceful to a nation of real heroes, it serves the purpose of pointing to your ingratitude for those who chose to defend you under that banner that will still wave long after your jersey is issued to another. If you really feel the need to take a knee, come with me to church on Sunday and we'll both kneel before Almighty God. We'll thank Him for preserving this country for as long as He has. We'll beg forgiveness for our ingratitude for all He has provided us. We'll appeal to Him for understanding and wisdom. We'll pray for liberty and justice for all...because He is the one who provides those things.

And there will be no protest. There will only be gratitude for His provision and a plea for His continued grace and mercy on the land of the Free and the Home of the Brave. It goes like this.....GOD BLESS AMERICA!

Our National Anthem: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Star-Spangled_Banner

My Opinion: When you 'diss' the Flag, you 'diss' America. If you're not happy with America...you know, that country that uses tax payers money to help pay your millions of dollars each year to play a game?...then you need to go find a country that will let you show disrespect on national TV and not complain. If you're not happy with America and the Flag, then maybe it's time for you to move to another country you can publically disrespect. I don't have to be Tolerant to those who disrespect the country I love; I'd say I've tolerated the BS long enough. And when you finally get the nerve to move...I'll be MORE than happy to help you PACK! Show some RESPECT for the country you're supposed to support! You got a beef? Take it OFF the field! Don't shove your IGNORANCE in my face, 'cuz I won't stand for it, but I'll STAND for AMERICA, and the FLAG!