I am a Soldier...

Paul wrote, "No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him" (2Tim. 2:4). Here is a quote that expresses a spiritual soldier's attitude. "I am a soldier in the army of my God. The Lord Jesus Christ is my commanding officer. The Holy Bible is my code of conduct. Faith, prayer and the Word are my weapons of warfare. I have been taught the Word of God; I have been trained by experience, tried by adversity and tested by fire. I am a volunteer in this army, and I enlisted for eternity. I will either retire in this army at the Lord's coming, or die in this army. I will not get out, I will not sell out, be talked out, be pushed out, or be criticized out! I am faithful, reliable, capable and dependable. If my God needs me I am there. If He needs me to teach children, work with the young people, or help adults I am there. He can use me because I am there. I am a soldier. I am not a baby, I do not need to be pampered, petted, primed up, picked up or pepped up. I am a soldier. No one has to call me, remind me, write me, visit me, entice me or lure me. I am a soldier. I am not a wimp. I am in my place, saluting my King, obeying His orders, praising His name and building up His Kingdom. No one has to send me flowers, gifts, food, cards, candy, or handouts to keep me coming. I do not need to be cuddled, cradled or catered to. I am committed. I cannot have my feelings hurt bad enough to turn me around. I cannot be discouraged enough to be turned aside.

I cannot lose enough to cause me to quit. I can do all things through Christ therefore the devil cannot defeat me. People cannot paralyze me. The weather cannot weary me. Sickness cannot stop me. Battles cannot beat me. Money cannot move me. Governments cannot gag me. I am a soldier. Even death cannot destroy me, for my Commanding Officer has already conquered death for me. I am a soldier. To die for him is not the ultimate goal, but to live for Him makes me whole. A soldier standing ready, here am I, to live with Him or to die. So here I stand. Will you stand with me?" – (Anonymous, and slightly edited). My Commanding Officer had such a love and zeal towards me, should I not try and return the favor? Let us stand with Him. Dan Peters