

**Day:** Veterans Day, Sunday Observance

**Scripture Focus:** 1 Corinthians 16:13

**Object:** Toy Soldiers

Good morning everyone! Today we are celebrating a special day. It's called "Veterans Day." It's a holiday celebrated in our country to honor the men and women who serve in the military. It's not a church holy day, like Christmas or Easter. But I think it's still a really important day for us to remember. In fact (*act really excited!*)... That's another name for it! Some people call Veterans Day "Remembrance Day."

Whatever you call it, it's all about honoring the men and women who serve in the military. Just like our Bible passage describes, they are strong and courageous, standing on guard to protect our country. And on Veterans Day, we take time to say "thank you" for all they do.

But, I think they can do even more. Veterans do so much for us... they keep us safe and make sure we have the freedom to come to church and much more... I think we can do something for them. We can pray for veterans!

Since today is also called Remembrance Day, I wanted us to have something to help us remember to pray for veterans. Let's each take one of these toy soldiers (*have an adult hand one soldier to each child*) home with us to help us remember to pray for veterans. That's something all of us can do. And these little toys can help us remember.

Let's pray together...

Holy God, we remember and celebrate veterans today. May you bless these little toys as reminders to each of us to pray daily for the men and women who serve in the military. Amen.