

Inspection

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The troops are lined up, ready for spiritual orders.
How do you fight? Moses held his arms up. Joshua's army marched and gave a great shout. Jehoshaphat only needed to stand and watch.
Biggins is having trouble. It is agony just waiting. Do you know that feeling?

Captain: Watford – arms up! That's an order.

Watford: Yes Sir!

Captain: Gilford – support!

Gilford: Support, Sir?

Captain: Support the arms, man! Do you think he can keep that up all day?

Gilford: But the battle, Sir

Captain: Don't want to fight without back-up; there are principalities
And powers out there! I've got to cover my men.

Gilford: Cover – yes Sir!

Captain: Arnie . .

Arnie: Yes Sir.

Captain: Where's your belt, Arnie?

Arnie: Belt Sir?

Captain: Belt of Truth soldier!

Arnie: I . . . er . . . don't know Sir.

Captain: Well find it Arnie – and don't come to this line without it!
Dismissed!

(Arnie leaves. Biggins is showing signs of anxiety. It is agony to
Simply stand still.)

Captain : Biggins – keep watch!

(The captain is about to move on. Biggins can't stand it anymore!)

Biggins: No Sir! I want to GO! GO! GO Sir!

Captain: Wait for it! Wait for it! You are assigned to *waiting*, boy. Don't Move before the time.

Biggins: But I want to *go*, Sir!

Captain: It isn't in your hands, Sonny.

Biggins: I joined the army to fight, Sir.

Captain: Fight with your sight, boy. We need you to see. Keep watch, and Tell us what you see. We need the strategy, the direction. Don't Fight blindly man! For all our sakes, get the plan!

(He is about to move on down the line but Biggins is desperate.)

Biggins: Sergeant, Sergeant – give me a job please! I've waited so long Already!

(Captain ponders. Should he discipline the recruit or help? He Chooses to help.)

Captain: Sing.

Biggins: Sing Sir?

Captain: You're all trained up, all ready . . . just sing. That's an order!

Biggins: Sing! Yes Sir!

*You may use this sketch freely in your church or in house-groups.
It is not meant to be a stand-alone. It could support a message or be the
stimulus for a discussion.*

*I would appreciate it if you could also let people know where it came from!
Thanks.*

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