

FAITH. Faith looks like a good idea: 'You've got to have faith,' is a popular catch-cry. To have faith is often considered a first step to success and conflict resolution. Faith can work in many areas - relationships, business, religion, politics, health and even in technology. But beware: **S**hould you ever get killed by a suicide bomber, it's also because of faith.

faith

1. a system of religious belief and devotion to God
2. a strongly held set of beliefs or principles
3. awareness of an aspect of being that is not obvious
4. the belief in something without logical proof
5. a delusional state of mind, ignoring fact and reality
6. the belief in healing powers of health regimes
7. our belief in the veracity of visions and prospects

This is an inspirational story about faith, and - as a conscientious objector and pacifist myself - I like it very much. In WWII an American man signed up and wanted to join the war effort ... only, he was very religious and a pacifist. His motivation was that he wished to be a combat medic and help front-line soldiers. During training he was much derided by his fellow comrades, because he refused to use or even carry a gun. Being of slight build (in the movie), he was considered weak and a coward.

At Okinawa he was a medic in the battle to conquer a position called Hacksaw Ridge. The battle was a God-awful massacre, with many killed and many more injured. His faith was challenged when confronted with the pitiful violence around him. He then prayed to his God to give him a sign, but was met with silence ... except for the repeated calls for help by injured soldiers. His faith gave him the strength to save many of them and it proved him the strongest, bravest and least of a coward.

Hacksaw Ridge is a movie directed by Mel Gibson about Desmond Doss
see my blog 926 and the corresponding page in the appendix
go to - https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Desmond_Doss
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hacksaw_Ridge