

A script from



“Land of the Free”

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- What** Perfect for your patriotic service, this responsive reading is a reminder of our heritage and prayer for restoration. **Themes:** July 4th, Independence Day, Patriotic, God and Country, Freedom
- Who** Reader 1
Reader 2
Reader 3
- When** Patriotic Service
- Wear (Props)** Readers can coordinate in patriotic colors.
- Why** 2 Chronicles 7:14
- How** Readers should stay on top of cues and make sure lines flow as if one person is talking. Read with passion and conviction. The song "God Bless America" can either be sung at the end or simply read by the Readers and Congregation.
- Time** Approximately 2 minutes

Readers address the audience.

Reader 1: As citizens of this great nation, we pause this time each year to celebrate our independence.

Reader 2: We reflect on the wars that have been fought.

Reader 3: The lives that have been lost.

Reader 1: We proudly fly the flag that represents our country.

Reader 2: This country where we live without fear of persecution.

Reader 3: Without oppression and tyranny.

ALL: The land of the free. The home of the brave.

Reader 1: We pause in reverence for those who paid the price for our freedom.

Reader 2: And to the leaders who founded our nation on Christian principles.

Reader 3: We celebrate living in a country where the first president declared, "It is impossible to rightly govern the world without God and the Bible."

Reader 1: A country where the first Congress approved the Holy Bible for use in all its schools.

Reader 2: Because our founding fathers understood that in order to thrive in our independence

Reader 3: We need to keep our dependence on God.

ALL: The land of the free. The home of the brave.

Reader 1: Through the years our country's dependence on God has faded.

Reader 2: And our liberty has slowly been distorted by tolerance.

Reader 3: Even so, God's sovereignty has sustained us.

Reader 1: His hand is upon us.

Reader 2: For it is through His sacrifice that our eternal freedom has been won

Reader 3: And our true citizenship has been established in heaven.

ALL: The land of the free. The home of the brave.

Reader 1: So as we celebrate our freedom this year, let it begin on our knees.

Reader 2: As we lift up the leaders of our country

Reader 3: And the soldiers who continue to fight for our protection,

Reader 1: Let us pray to God earnestly for endurance as we also fight to protect our morals and uphold His commandments.

Reader 2: Let us ask for His favor on our children's future as they navigate an ever-changing society.

Reader 3: Lord, please restore the land of the free, the home of the brave.

ALL: Bring us back to You, Lord.

Reader 1: Renew our allegiance to Your word.

Reader 2: So we may once again be one nation, under God.

Reader 3: Let us be united in our love for You and love for our country as we sing from our hearts these familiar words:

ALL: God bless America, land that I love.
Stand beside Her and guide Her
Through the night with the light from above.
From the mountains, to the prairies
To the oceans white with foam.
God bless America, my home sweet home.
God bless America, my home sweet home.