

Bible (Hill 1974, 25). Calamy did not support Congregationalism, but he found within Presbyterianism a middle ground that best suited his views of theology and church government. He opposed the execution of King Charles I and lived quietly under the Commonwealth. Asked for advice by Oliver Cromwell on the dissolution of the Rump Parliament and the establishment

ranging his cavalry in three ranks and pressing forward (Woolrych 117–118). His strengths were the ability to lead and train his men, and his moral authority. Thus, *The Souldiers Pocket Bible* was used for religious inspiration and to help influence good morals and rigid discipline. This pocket Bible was usually buttoned on the inside of the waistcoat, placed near the heart, and under the soldier's outer coat. The placement was meant to not hinder the movements of the soldier (Congressional 1022). English Puritan church leader Richard Baxter once mentioned a story of one of Cromwell's soldiers whose life was saved by carrying a copy of *The Souldiers Pocket Bible* near his heart; a bullet fired at him became lodged into the pamphlet instead of his heart (Waylen 300). Before Cromwell's soldiers went into battle, they would pray and sing religious songs from the Book of Psalms. Some of the verses in *The Souldiers Pocket Bible* were:

Psalms 44: 6 - I doe not trust in my Bow, neither can my Sword save me.

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