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The **ninth** fold is a tribute to womanhood; for it has been through their faith, their love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this country great have been molded.

The **10th** fold is a tribute to the father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defense of our country since they were first born.

The **11th** fold, in the eyes of a Hebrew, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon and glorifies in their eyes the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

The **12th** fold, in the eyes of a Christian, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit.

The **13th** fold is when the flag is completely folded, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our Nation's motto "In God We Trust".

After the flag is completely folded and tucked in, it takes on the appearance of a cocked hat, ever reminding us of the soldiers who served under General George Washington and the sailors and marines who served under Captain John Paul Jones.

May each of us always pay respect to the flag when it is being displayed; whether it is during a parade on Memorial Day or the 4th of July. Whether we be in a athletic stadium or during the playing of taps at a veteran's funeral. We owe it to those who have sacrificed and made our freedoms available for us. America is the great nation under God's stars and we need to honor her and protect her, as others have done for us.

Plainly, let's not get caught short changed. Be ready to meet our Maker. The Bible teaches in the book of Acts that to avoid hell and gain heaven - one must: 1) Believe In Jesus As Savior (16:31) 2) Repent Of Sins (17:30) 3) Confess Christ Audibly (8:37) 4) Be Baptized In Water (2:38) 5) Live A Christian Life (14:22)

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