

HERITAGE TODAY VIDEO SERIES

"Loyalty" Discussion Guide

PURPOSE	Provide a guide for Air Force leaders at any level, to initiate critical thinking and group discussion/interaction before and after reviewing the Heritage Today video.
DESCRIPTION	Heritage Today video series inspires and challenges Airmen with stories of Air Force heritage and emphasize the Core Values by using the enabler characteristics of character, judgment, and commitment as the building blocks of professionalism. Loyalty is faithfulness or a devotion to an individual, country, group or cause. Many social, business and religious groups or clubs throughout the world state loyalty as a top characteristic for membership.
	We don't make sacrifices out of obligation, we make them because we are loyal to our country. Watch this video to feel that what happens to our country happens to you.
EMPLOY	 BEFORE VIEWING the "Loyalty" video, lead the following discussion: What does loyalty mean to you? Throughout the discussion, highlight loyalty as it is often equated to patriotism. How do you know when someone has loyalty to the Air Force? Can you give examples? Do you think loyalty is something we are born with or do we acquire it later in life? Explain how loyalty is related to Air Force Core Values and give examples. Give a few examples of <i>misplaced</i> loyalty and why this can be harmful. NOTE: the voice on the video is Technical Sergeant Raymond Santiago, a (USAFR) Master Military Training Instructor at JBSA-Lackland. AFTER VIEWING the "Loyalty" video, lead the following discussion: Which part of the video do you think displayed the strongest example of loyalty? In the video we heard: "Loyalty is a magnet that pulls you back home to courage." What does this mean? Is there a way we can tell if someone is truly loyal to a particular cause or to the Air Force? Do you think a member of the Air Force can be successful even without loyalty to the Air Force? Did any part in the video stir up your emotions? If so, what emotions did you feel?

