

# 'I GOT YOUR SIX!'

Years ago, in my newspaper days, one of my assignments was to cover civil and criminal trials of public interest at the Hamilton County Courthouse in Chattanooga. And I like courtroom drama.

Apparently, so does the television audience. One of the popular TV series was *JAG* (a U.S. military acronym for Judge Advocate General), a legal drama that aired for one season (1995-1996) on NBC, and for an additional nine seasons (1997-2005) on CBS. At the time of its original airing of its fifth season in the United States, *JAG* was seen in more than 90 countries worldwide.

The show was about a Navy lawyer who used to be a fighter pilot. During the course of the show's run, Harm (the Navy lawyer) went back to flying Navy fighter jets.



One of the things the jet pilots would always say to each other while flying was “I got your six.” This referred to the 6 o'clock position of the fighter jet that was directly behind him. The pilot could not see behind him, and was therefore dependent on someone else to keep his “6” clear.

The same is true for us in business and in our personal lives. There are positions in life we cannot see – we might call them blind spots. We need trusted associates and friends to “watch our six” so that we might be safe from mistakes or failures. Such people reveal their true friendship in doing so.

Even more significantly, in the spiritual realm, God's promise to us is that He's always “got our 6.” On the cross, Jesus took care of sin and death, and we can trust Him for that.

So no matter what you might face today – whatever spiritual battle you may be in, no matter how big and tough and scary the enemy is – you can know that God's “got your 6.”

*No one will be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you (Joshua 1:5 NIV).*

– Beecher Hunter