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R E A S O N S   W H Y   W E  
M U S T   W I N   T H E   W A R**

[See 16:0.2.]

1—Because Germany has become an international outlaw—an outcast among the civilized nations of the earth.

[See 16:0.1.]

2—Because Germany has proved herself a shameless treaty-breaker—

[See 10:6.3.]

she has seared her national conscience with the hot iron of principle-less ambition and merciless conquest.

3—Because Germany has mistaught and deceived a whole people. They are insane with Prussian poison and drunk with the delusion of world power.

[See 18:2.3.]

4—Because the doctrine of the Prussian Superman is nothing more or less than a cruel military supermania.

War-worship has turned their heads and hardened their hearts.

5—Because they have fooled themselves into believing that they are divinely destined to force their so-called Kultur upon all the world. By military force they seek to establish themselves as the self-appointed guardians of the destiny of the whole world.

6—Because Germany's ambitions are wicked, her plans are unholy, and her methods barbarous—because she has sinned against all mankind.

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7—Because she has reversed the ethics of civilization, overthrown the ideals of religion, and destroyed the standards of morality and common decency.

8—Because they worship tyranny, reverence oppression, exalt hate, extol cruelty, practice dissimulation, and are obsessed with an insane national egotism.

9—Because Germany is returning to the ethics of the jungle—because they are unchristian, uncivilized, and inhuman in their methods of warfare and the treatment of their foes.

[See 19:2.1.]

10—Because the German people really believe in the Divine Right of Kings,

and the world will never be a safe place for democracy in the presence of such an unscrupulous and victorious autocracy.

11—Because the nations of earth can never dwell together in peace and unity and go about the pursuit of happiness, unarmed, without a victory over military Germany, the apostle of frightfulness on land and a ruthless pirate on the high seas.

[See 22:0.1.]

12—Because France helped us gain our liberty, and we owe it to her (not to mention other democracies) to help her maintain the liberty and independence of the French people against the unprovoked and premeditated aggressions of these modern Huns.

[See 19:2.3.]

13—Because the world can no longer continue half democratic and half autocratic. After this great war it will eventually be either all democratic or all autocratic.

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*14*—Because our very existence as a free people demands it—because defeat means possible invasion, probable bondage, and the ultimate overthrow of the Monroe Doctrine. The continuance of American liberty depends upon a decisive American victory.

[See 10:4.1.]

*15*—Because of the unspeakable cruelties to women and children, the barbarous and immoral practices of the German soldiers, the crucifixion of Canadian officers, and because of the terrible and frightful manner in which these war-mad Huns have conducted this whole war.

*16*—Because they honeycombed our land with intrigue, filled our country with spies, conspired against our peace, grossly abused our hospitality, jeopardized our freedom, and flagrantly insulted our every sense of national honor.

[See 21:2.2.]

*17*—Because Germany ravished Belgium, shot down Nurse Cavell in cold blood,

[See 17:5.]

turned her peaceful embassies into bacteriological laboratories,

[See 21:2.2.]

torpedoed the Lusitania,

and still unblushingly pursues her ruthless submarine warfare.

*18*—Because Germany has enslaved and deported thousands of the French and Belgian people, because she has mutilated and murdered other thousands of innocent children and civilians,

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[See 22:2.1.]

and because she did not blush to carry hundreds of young and defenseless girls away with her retreating armies, to serve the base passions of her lustful and bloodthirsty warriors.

*19*—Because civilization hangs in the balance—human liberty and freedom is the goal for which we are fighting—and because the world will not afford a safe abiding place for peaceful and liberty-loving men if Germany wins this war.

*20*—Because if we do not win this war we will be forced to pay an enormous indemnity to Germany.

[See 23:4.1.]

Let our battle-cry be, “Billions upon billions for victory and defense, but not one red cent for indemnity.”

*21*—Because we owe a duty both to God and to all mankind to prevent the domination of the world by German Kultur—to prevent the overthrow of the Golden Rule by the teaching that “Might is Right,” and to make sure that Christianity is not supplanted by the Prussian “Religion of Valor.”

[See 19:2.3 and 23:4.3-4.]

*22*—Because, in the Providence of God, America is the Young David of this generation, nurtured and made strong to go out in the name of the Lord God of Hosts and in defense of human rights and sacred liberties, to defeat this Germanic Goliath which so brazenly insults the properties of all nations and so openly defies the armies of all civilization.

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23—Because we are right. Germany is wrong. Because we fight for no selfish gain. We honestly and sincerely tried to keep out of this war, but now we stand at this Armageddon and we battle for the Lord.

24—Because Germany is striking a mortal blow at every high political principle and every sacred institution for which our fathers suffered and died. Because the traditions of a glorious past demand that we fight to win—to perpetuate the liberties and preserve the honor of the home of the brave and the land of the free.

[See 10:2.4.]

25—Because Germany has gone into moral bankruptcy—because she is spiritually insolvent—and the time has come for the civilized nations of the earth to sit as a solemn court of judgment to appoint a receiver either to reorganize or wind up the career of this brutal Germanic military establishment.