

# A Soldier Against All Odds

Hello,

I sincerely hope you enjoyed reading my bestselling book, *A Soldier Against All Odds* and that by sharing my memories, I will inspire you to wince, cry, and laugh. I hope that the lessons I learned through the course of my life and my military career will be an inspiration to you and anyone else confronting the future from a place of disadvantage.

Enjoy your discussion!

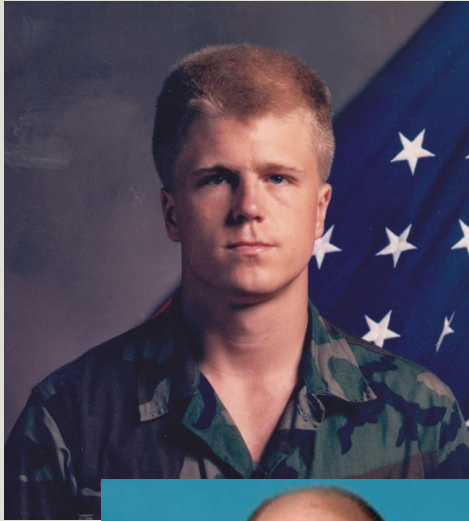
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Jason offers a 30-minute virtual call as a thank-you to the book club members. To schedule the call, please email [JPike25@hotmail.com](mailto:JPike25@hotmail.com) with the requested date and time.

I encourage you to use the hashtag #ASoldierAgainstAllOdds or tag @jasonpike on facebook to share pictures of you, your group, or your favorite reading spot.

We also appreciate your book review on your retailer of preference.



# The Questions

1. Diagnosed at age seven with an acute learning disability and failing first grade that year, Jason was sent back to repeat it. At age nine, he was diagnosed with osteomyelitis, a crippling bone disease dissolving the bone of his knee that added to his academic challenges, a significant physical disadvantage. When do you think he realized his life would be different and more challenging than most of his friends and family?
2. Would you do anything different from Jason if you had been diagnosed with the same disabilities and diseases?
3. Did you think Jason would have a chance to join the Army even with physical frailty and a learning problem?
4. Did *A Soldier Against All Odds* make you reflect on how you react to life struggles and disadvantages? How has he inspired you to be more resilient?
5. What are some passages that you underlined or that particularly impacted you?
6. Have you ever had to cope with stress, trauma, and adversity and emerged stronger from that experience? Do you try to extract a lesson from each one?
7. How important was the role of Jason's father in his life? How do you think he impacted Jason's decisions and actions?
8. Do you believe writing *A Soldier Against All Odds* was part of Jason's healing journey?
9. How rewarding do you think it was for Jason to start his military career at the age of seventeen and retire at the rank of lieutenant colonel, after being told by so many people that none of it would be possible?
10. Why do you think he was arrested so many times and investigated by the Army? Do you think it was fair to Jason?
11. After reading *A Soldier Against All Odds*, do you agree with the saying, "You can do anything. You can be anything you want to be. As long as you believe in yourself and work hard."? Why or why not?
12. If you could ask the author anything, what would it be?
13. What was the most inspiring takeaway from *A Soldier Against All Odds* in your opinion?

Thank you for reading the bestseller, *A Soldier Against All Odds*, Jason's genuine and frank account—the good, the very bad, and the very ugly—of his thirty-one years in uniform.

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