

## REMEMBER

Lady Liberty stands at the entrance to the city.  
On her pedestal, she welcomes many -  
The poor, the rich, the hungry, the needy.  
People go past her - most searching for peace and liberty.

But, on September 11, some came to this land just to destroy.  
We, as Americans, were not ready.

But, we survived!  
Dreams were shattered.  
Emotions were crushed.  
Illusions were smashed.

Lives were lost!

Hero's all across the land struggled,  
Spent laborious hours to keep this Nation intact.

We wept.  
We swept.  
And finally, we slept.

Somehow, we managed to create -  
Create so that we would not forget.

We **will** remember.....  
Today, tomorrow, and thereafter.  
We **will** remember.....  
Because this Nation is built on principles that won't falter.

We **will** remember because our country is raising its children  
To become adults who strongly believe that we are.....

".....ONE NATION, UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE,  
WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR ALL."

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