

Introduction

In today's world anything could happen to anyone at anytime! Nobody is immune to terrorist attacks or natural disasters. After 9/11 and Hurricane Katrina, the American Public was slapped in the face with an unbelievably huge wakeup call not once but twice! So was I!

I watched in astonishment at what happened on 9/11. I felt as if those planes crashed and burned into my very soul. My heart sank as those mighty twin towers came crumbling unto the ground. All the employees and firefighters that were trapped and unable to escape before the collapse a piece of me was trapped with them. I have never felt such anger toward a person I hadn't even seen or spoke to.

Hurricane Katrina even affected my family and me almost 900 miles away. I live in the top northeast corner of Mississippi. I lost a portion of my roof to 80-MPH winds that far away from the coast. I could not even imagine the magnitude of that storm! You see natural disasters on the television and you still have no idea of Mother Nature's Fury unless you were there to experience it first hand. The thousands and thousands of helpless and defenseless people that were stuck right where they were with no food, water, power, shelter, and protection to survive on their own as people did a hundred or so years ago with no law and order was a governmental embarrassment. The effects of Hurricane Katrina on the United State's South was right up the terrorist's alley. It is sad to say but that made the terrorist's day! I do not want to see or hear about anybody getting any enjoyment or pleasure out of seeing any person's pain and suffering and loss. I AM AN AMERICAN ! The people's lives torn apart by the terrorists on 9/11 were AMERICANS ! The people devastated by Hurricane Katrina were not "REFUGEES" they were AMERICANS ! Refugees are people that flee from law enforcement or other government agencies. The people that got their lives ripped apart by one of the biggest hurricanes ever on record were survivors! My heart goes out to every person affected by these two incidents.

After Hurricane Katrina I started thinking about my family and what would happen to us if either of those things happened where we live.

The plain truth is, the same thing that happened to the rest of the American Public that would probably happen to us also to some extent. I cannot let that happen to my family. I can't control the terrorists or the weather but I can control my family's survival in a desperate situation no matter what the cause until more adequate help can arrive.

I was a Boy Scout as a young man. I have hunted and fished and camped all my life. I felt that was a big plus in a survival situation. But that was not enough. I wanted to know what every person would know after they served their country in the military. I bought hundreds of dollars worth of manuals and "How to" books. Needless to say, I wasted a good portion of my money. That is what this book is all about, your survival preparation education and to help you save your hard earned money.