

1988
NEW VERSES TO THE
MARINE CORPS HYMN

Dedicated to the men and women past and present who have served as
United States Marines

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1943 to 1945

To the tune of the traditional Marines' Hymn:

From Guadalcanal to Tarawa
First to Fight and On the Scene
Some Call Us Devil Dogs
Some United States Marines.

First to Fight For Peace And Liberty
When Freedom is Aflame
That Is How We Won The Title Of
United States Marines.

From Saipan, Guam to Tinian
First to Meet Our Country's Foes
Forward to Battle, See Our Banners Go
If the Nation is Endangered
It's Ramparts We Will Maintain
Thanks to God, Our Nation Has Men
With the Metal
The United States Marines

From the Sands of Iwo Jima
to the Barracks at Beirut
Liberty, Peace With Honor
Duties We Pursue
If the Nation Is In Danger
I Tell You What To Do
You Can Always Count Upon
The Proud and The Few

From The Snows of The Chosin Reservoir
To Vietnam's Bloody Scenes
We Fought Our Country's Battles
On The Land, Sea And Air
First to Fight for Rights of Liberty
The Nation's Honor to Maintain
Death Before Dishonor
We're United States Marines!

If the Army or the Navy
Ever Gaze on Heaven's Scenes
They Will Find The Commander-In-Chief
Is a United States Marine!

(alternate last verse:)

If the Army or the Navy
Ever Gaze on Heaven's Scenes

They Will Find The Situation
Under the Control and Guarded by
The United States Marines!