

Trump: The Art of the Deal, Ukrainian Take




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What a Time to Be Alive!

Seven weeks after
Trump's inauguration



Trump stated

The Great Peacemaker



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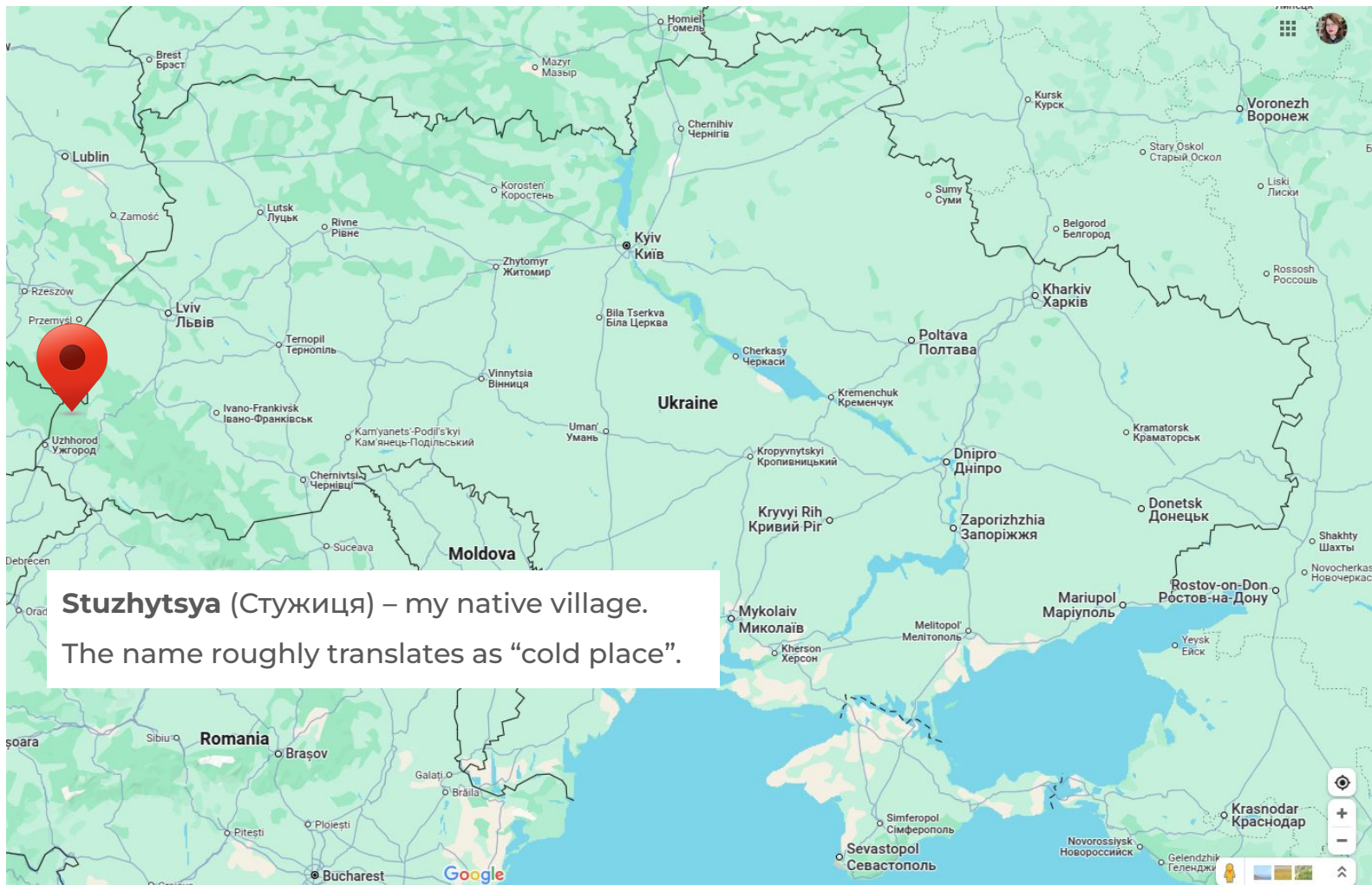
HELLO AND WELCOME

TO MY GIRLBLOG

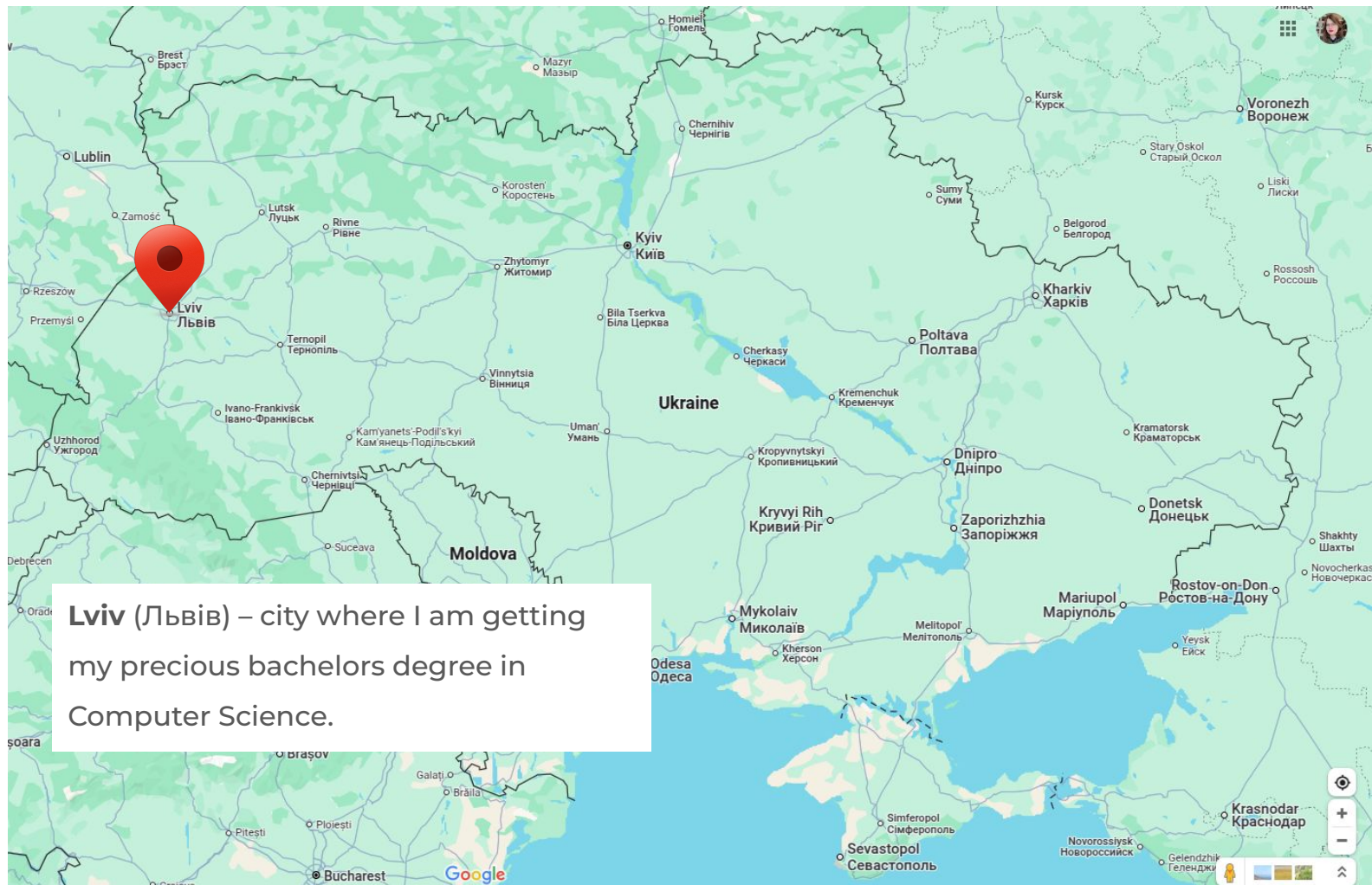


**Where is
Ukraine?**





Stuzhytsya (Стужиця) – my native village.
The name roughly translates as “cold place”.



Background

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- Full scale invasion started 24th of February 2022



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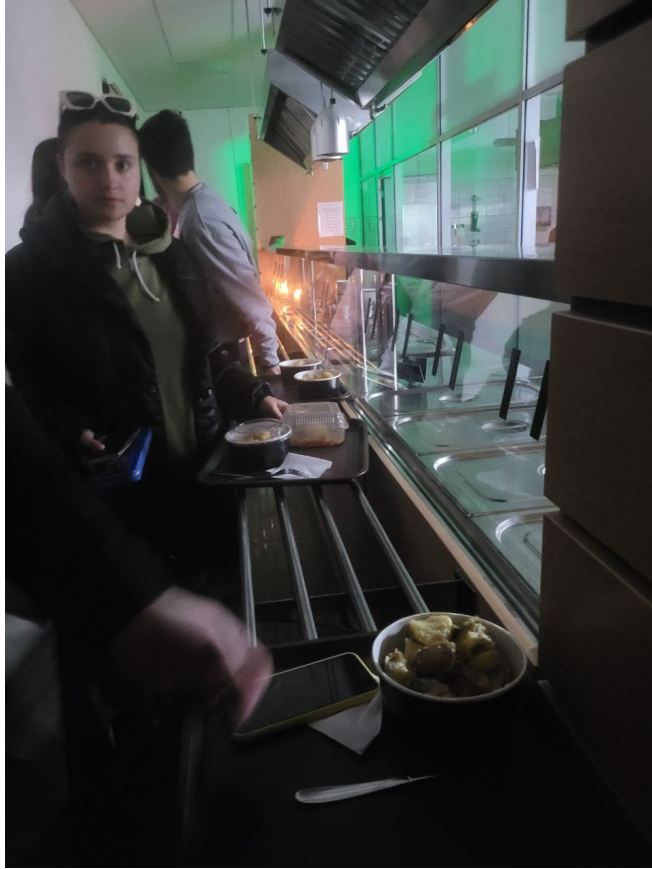
- Russia invaded Ukraine in 2014 when I was just 10 years old
- Full scale invasion started 24th of February 2022 during my second semester as an undergraduate student

I remember that day very clearly.

“What do you mean, skip classes?”

“Does this mean I don’t need to do my homework for this week?”

the day when the university didn't have electricity



<https://alerts.in.ua/en> – live map of air alarms



sound of air alarm –
you are supposed to
go to the shelter

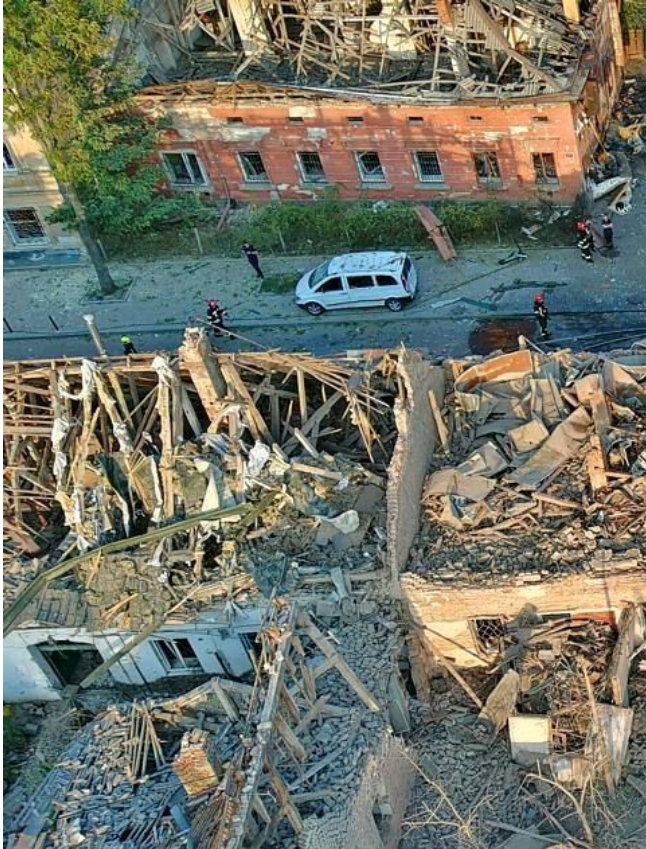


In my days I used to
have classes under
flying rockets

Sure grandma let's
get you to bed

Some Rockets do Hit

Another explosion that broke the windows at my university



nearby street

Some Numbers

- **60-80 thousand soldiers died only since 2022**
- **more than a million people lives under occupation**
- **3 million people left Ukraine**

Budapest Memorandum



Clinton, Yeltsin and Kravchuk, 14 January 1994

Ukraine gave up the world's third-largest arsenal of nuclear weapons in exchange for security assurances from Russia, UK, and US.

Takeout: international institutions don't work, peace is always fragile, you can count only on yourself

Coming Back to Trump



It Won't Work and They Know It

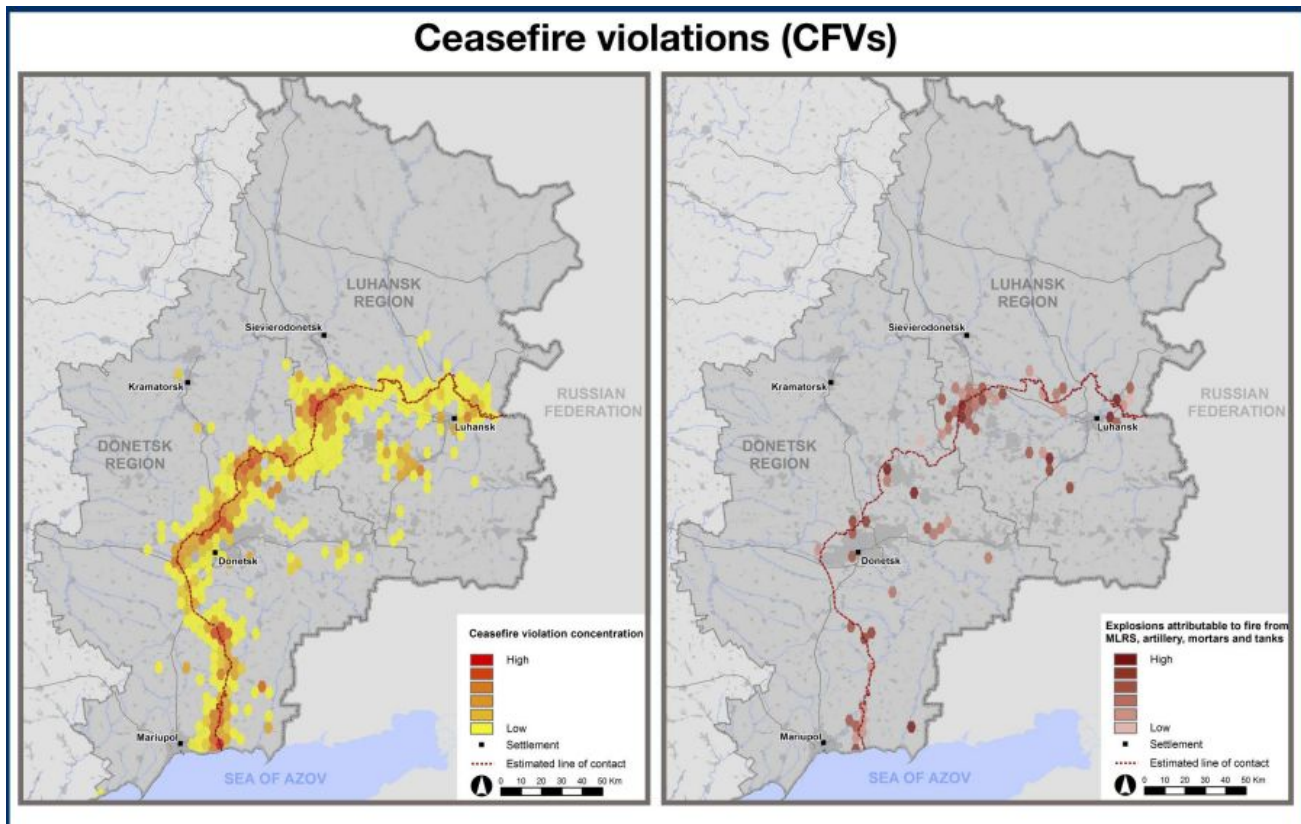


Marco Rubio, 2014



Marco Rubio after the meeting

It Won't Work and They Know It



From OSCE reports, 2021

Is Zelenskyy a Dictator?



Trump answered that already

On August 1, 1991, US President George H. W. Bush visited Kyiv and gave a speech. Ukraine at that time was still a part of USSR.

The speech was named by the American columnist as

Chicken Kyiv Speech

*What has been is what will be,
and what has been done is what will be done;
there is nothing new under the sun.*

Ecclesiastes 1:9

Explaining the Meme Behind the Name



OG chicken Kyiv

Chicken fillet pounded and rolled around cold butter, then coated with egg and bread crumbs, and either fried or baked.

Explaining the Meme Behind the Name



American version of
chicken Kyiv

Speech, Implications, and Aftermath

What poor Bush said to be called a chicken?



“[Americans] will not aid those who promote a **suicidal nationalism**”

“Freedom is not the same as independence.”

Speech, Implications, and Aftermath

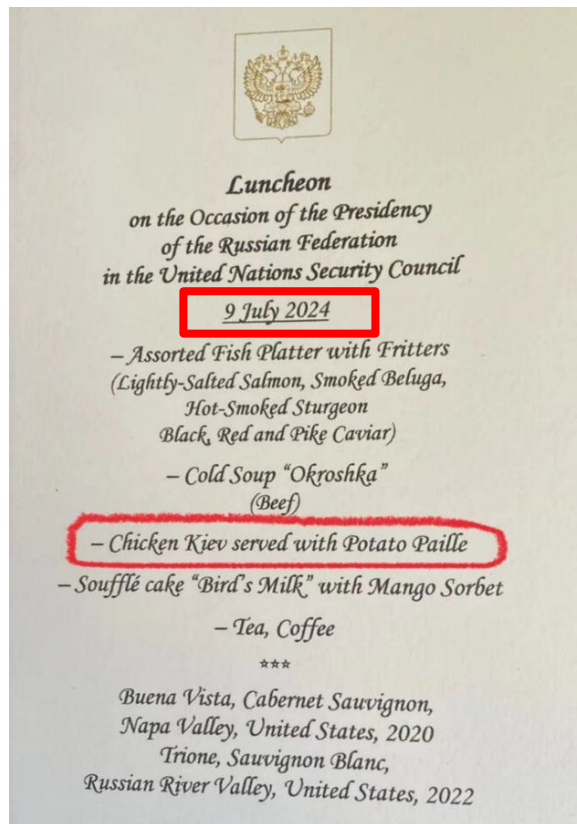
Three weeks after the speech, the Supreme Soviet of the Ukrainian Republic adopted the Act of Declaration of Independence of Ukraine was issued. The Soviet Union dissolved later in December.

August 24 is now our Independence Day.

Bush was right, but not in the way he thought.

Nationalism is indeed deadly, but not for the nations that fight for their right to survive. For them, the opposite, the rejection of nationalism, is suicidal. Nationalism is deadly for the empires. And Bush as a leader of one of them understood that.

Russian Cultural Politics



"On the Occasion of the Presidency
of the Russian Federation in the
United Nations Security Council"

Think about it for a second.

This meeting happened 9 July 2024

What Happened One Day Before?

The meeting was dedicated to the Russian attack on the largest children hospital, Okhmatdyt, in Kyiv





How to Support Ukraine

- Engage, don't be misled by propaganda, be empathetic, don't avoid hard topics
- Donate money
 - [Dzyga's Paw charity foundation](#)
 - [Come Back Alive foundation](#)
 - [Sternenko's foundation](#)
- Visit events in Vancouver
 - [UBC Ukrainian Student Union](#)
 - [Ukrainian Canadian Congress in BC](#)



Parts That Didn't Go Viral





Epilogue

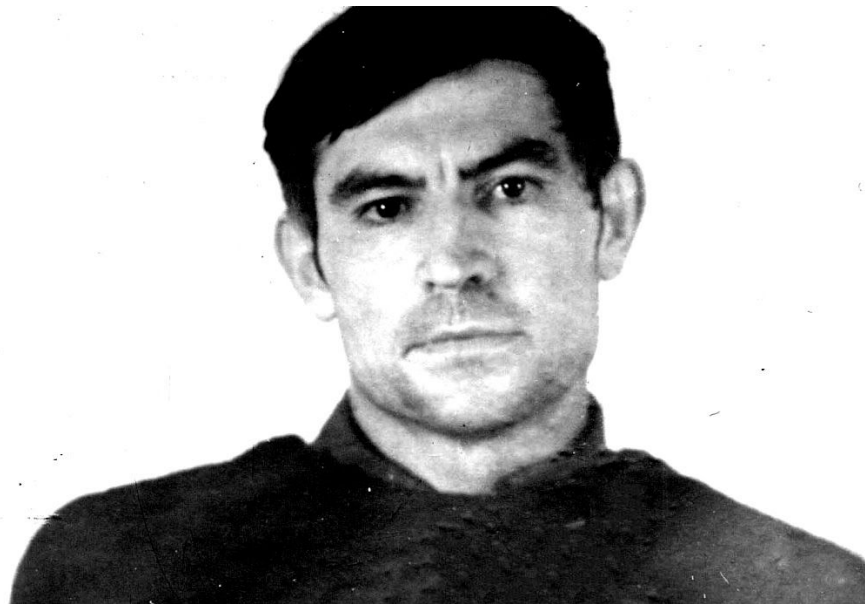
*The Lord has started being born within me
and, half-recalled and half-forgotten, waits
till I depart from life. It looks as if
he is outside me, at the edge of death
where living people should not dare to enter...
my grandchild and my ancestor... God waits.
Together on my own – that's how we live,
how we exist, when nobody is near.
Misfortune thunders like a cannonade.
He is salvation, so, white-lipped, I say:
please save me for a second, Lord, and then,
recovered, I will save myself alone,
without assistance.*

...

Original [text](#) in Ukrainian.

Full [text](#) in English.

Translated from Ukrainian by Alan Zhukovski



Vasyl Stus (Василь Стус), 1938-1985, Ukrainian
dissident and poet, killed in a Russian prison

Thank you!

**Слава Україні
Героям Слава**

Could not find a translation for this one

“Господи, гніву пречистого...”

“Lord, pure rage...”

Господи, гніву пречистого
благаю — не май за зло.
Де не стоятиму — вистою.
Спасибі за те, що мале
людське життя, хоч надією
довжу його в віки.

Думою тугу розвіюю,
щоб був я завжди такий,
яким мене мати вродила
і благословила в світі.
І добре, що не зуміла
мене від біди вберегти.

by Vasyl Stus, 1972

**when times
get tough i
just blame
everything on
united states
of america**

