

# Modern Weapons in the Bible

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If you were in a time machine, and you were projected forward into time, and saw great things, and you had to describe them in the *language of your day*, how would you describe them? Would you call some things giant locusts, horses, chariots, stars, thrones, and lightning? This is what the apostle John did, and all the other prophets of the Bible, when they saw a glimpse of the modern world. They would describe the things they saw, *but described them in the knowledge and the language of their day!* But we will see in the Bible, that the prophets describe exactly the modern weapons that we possess today!

### 19th Century

Up to the 19th, the beginning of the 19th century, there had been no practical change in man's condition. For millenniums he had been laboring by the sweat of his brow to provide for his material needs. During the same years, the fastest mode of travel up on land was by horse and upon the sea in sailing vessels. Then sudden changes began to take place. When Israel began to have the curse lifted and they began to receive the birthright of Abraham, in August 1807 A.D. Robert Fulton's steamship Clermont made its first voyage on the Hudson River. The first steamboat to cross the Atlantic was the Rising Sun, built in England, making the TransAtlantic voyage in 1818 A.D.

It's interesting that the Isaiah speaking about a prophecy, and its people of the United States of America talks about sending its Ambassadors "in vessels of bulrushes" (18:2). The correct translation is "water Drinking Vessels."

"...When the translators of the King James Version (1611) came to a Hebrew compound word 'water drinking vessels,' they had no idea what it meant so they looked around for something that grew out of the water and guessed 'bulrushes, cattails, flags,' etc...'hence the word 'vessels of bulrushes'...'[the] 'vessels drink' is a perfect description of our modern day steam ships, which was not even dreamed of in Isaiah's time or perceived by the King James translators. But the words 'water drinking vessels upon the waters' is a picture of Ocean liners, pumping up water, distilling it, and turning it into steam to propel its crew, passengers and cargo onto lands" (Our Great Seal p.74, Raymond Capt, emphasis added). This is a perfect fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy.

During this time as well, the modern house to house system of communication became a reality as a result of Alexander Graham Bell's invention of the Telephone. By 1911 mass production was perfected, which would have been impossible to have attained the present high state of Industrial development. Then in the year of 1941, the secret of unlocking the power contained in the atom became known. Four years later the first use made of the new power was to destroy the two Japanese cities Hiroshima and Nagasaki. In World War Two, with death taking a tragic toll among their inhabitants. Instead of using this source for peaceful productive purposes, nations since the close of World War Two have continued to experiment with it as a means of mass destruction.

Without exception, all prophets, Jesus Christ, and the apostles included, prophesied that, as this present age came to a close, the accompanying events would bring despair to all men for fear of the possible annihilation of all mankind. After speaking words of warning concerning this time of tribulation, Jesus Christ climaxed his remarks with a pronouncement of marked significance: "And except those days should be shortened, *there should no flesh be saved*: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened" (Matt 24:22).

Scientists, many of whom are agnostics, are confirming this possibility of the total destruction of the earth and all of its inhabitants. Men are therefore living in dread of what might happen and consequently the words of Jesus Christ are being fulfilled in our generation.

"Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken" (Luke 21:26). The reference here is to the unlocking of the secrets of the atom. The destructive uses for which the knowledge is utilized has put the world in fear.

The book of revelation shows the spectacular display of atomic power centuries beyond its time: "*And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places*" (Rev 6:14). Describing in his own first century language, John shows a nuclear blast, that destroys islands, and land masses out of their place.



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The description of this atomic blast was not possible, even in modern times, until the first actual explosion of an atomic bomb became a fact of history.

The prophet Zacariah reveals the effects of Nuclear war when he wrote: "And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; *Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth*" (14:12). There is nothing like this but nuclear war!

"And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

" And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.

" And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; *and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,*

" And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds" (Rev 16:8-11).

The Prophets saw also, all types of modern weapons in the arsenals of nations preparing for war. John saw, and describing in his own language, the firing of these missiles that were launched from rocket pads and sped through the sky. Joel as well describes the same thing.



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*"and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters;" (Rev 8:10).*

*"A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth:" (Joel 2:3).*

Revelation 9:1-11 has been a mystery for all generations until this end time when we can understand that John was describing modern weapons in the language of his day! John describes huge locusts in the air with all sorts of weird things that it had, like breast plates of iron, and the sound was like many horses going into battle etc..What can he possibly be describing? HELICOPTERS! These huge locusts are nothing more than modern day HELICOPTERS! Read the description:

## **John's Description of Helicopters**

And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.

" And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

" And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

" And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.

" And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

" And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.

" And the *shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men.*

" *And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.*

" And they had ***breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.***

" ***And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails:*** and their power was to hurt men five months.

" And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.



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John also describes modern day tanks, as he describes as horses, and the sound of missiles come out of their mouths like roaring lions.

Jeremiah also describes the Horses in the end time as caterpillars which tanks do look like with the tracks that they have on the Bottom, "cause the horses to come up as the rough caterpillars" (Jer 51:27).



## John's Description of Tanks

"And thus I saw the *horses in the vision*, and them that sat on them, having *breastplates of fire*, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the *heads of lions*; and out of their *mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone*.

" By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which *issued out of their mouths*.

" For their *power is in their mouth*, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt" (Rev 9:17-19).

The Bible accurately describes the events of the modern technology of our day. In Daniel chapter 12 verse 4 shows, that in the end time knowledge would increase very rapidly, and that world travel would occur at a tremendous rate. Airplanes are the only thing that can fulfill this prophecy. Now we have the technology to travel around the world in record times. Many statesmen, presidents and Prime Ministers have travelled the globe many times over. Airplanes are described in the Bible.

## "AS BIRDS FLYING" Jerusalem 1917



Jerusalem, the most famous city in the world, was delivered from its centuries-long domination under the Turks, on 9 Decmeber 1917 by a British army under General Allenby. That Deliverance undoubtedly constituted the most amazing event of our times, since it fulfilled in minute exactness Bible prophecies given more than two thousand years beforehand

Jerusalem was delivered, and aeroplanes had a lot to do with it. Isaiah 31:5, Isaiah pointed out God's promise, "As birds flying so will the Lord of Hosts defend Jerusalem, defending it also He will deliver it, and passing over he will preserve it." The newspapers of that day wrote: "The General commanding the Egyptian Expeditionary Force reported that his planes were 'doing good work, 800 feet below sea-level.' (This was, of course, the Dead Sea valley). Here was a reminder that the men 'as birds flying' were certainly at work. Eventually, within five months of the conversation referred to, Jerusalem was indeed delivered" (As Birds Flying, by J.M.Stears).

Joel, writing about the day of the Lord wrote that he saw things "leaping over mountains:" "Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap," (2:5). Airplanes are the only things that can leap over mountains, and that sound like chariots as they go over.



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Automobiles are also mentioned in the bible. Nahum describes modern day chariots, with the language of his day as "the chariots shall be with flaming torches...*The chariots shall rage in the streets, they shall justle one against another in the broad ways: they shall seem like torches, they shall run like the lightnings*" (2:4). What other "chariots" go at unbelievable speeds? Automobiles. The Bible is a book that describes conditions and modern inventions of our day!



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