



## The greatest weapon in the Bible - 6/10/2015

How do you select just 1 weapon when you have a fully stocked arsenal to choose from? I would suppose you could select the nuclear bomb option which is the greatest weapon that could defeat all the weapons that Satan may come against you with.

What is the greatest weapon known in the bible?

The bible contains many weapons and if one closely analyzes them based on their strengths and weaknesses then most can be grouped into 2 categories: internal and external.

The **Internal group** are weapons that you do by yourself and the **External group** weapons are the ones which you are interacting with others.

Example:

<b>Internal group</b>	<b>External group</b>
Imprecatory prayers	Handing out DVDs & CDs
Forgiveness filter	Handing out pamphlets
Prayer filter	Witnessing to others
I AM confessional	Applying un-anointing & anointing oil
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All are powerful weapons and have an ability to transform lives from the darkness to light, from the kingdom of this world to the kingdom of Jesus Christ.

What I also saw was that if one was not properly prepared then even these weapons can be disabled very easily by the enemy.



I grew up watching the old Star Trek reruns on TV. One scene that still sticks to my mind is one which the Enterprise and an enemy ship are battling each other. The crew of the Enterprise transmits to the enemy's computer the shields takedown command code. The enemy shields drop and the Enterprise fires fatal volleys of phasers and photons at the enemy ship.

That is what Satan is doing. He's attempting to get into your mind to pull down your spiritual defenses so he can launch an all-out full spectrum attack on you, your family, your job, your finances... Satan is trying to remove the strongman protecting you.

**Luk 11:21** When the strong *man* armed keeps his own house, his goods are in peace;

What is Satan's all-time greatest weapon that he uses every single time? **Fear.**



1) Fear will prevent you from handing out bible bookmarks, DVDs and CDs for fear of ridicule or reprisals from your boss, co-worker or family member.

2) Fear will prevent you from applying un-anointing/anointing oil if you fear you'll be discovered, sued or possibly be thrown into jail.

3) Fears will cause your prayers not to be heard

James 1:6-7

:6 but let him ask in faith, nothing doubting. **For he that doubts** is like a wave of the sea driven by the wind and tossed about;

:7 **for let not that man think that he shall receive anything from the Lord;**

There are some examples in the bible that back this up:

1) In Judges 8:20 Gideon's son didn't use his sword because he was afraid.

Jdg 8:20 And he said to Jether his firstborn, Arise, slay them! But the youth **drew not his sword; for he feared**, because he was yet a youth.

2) In Judges 7:3 Gideon sent back home 22,000 soldiers who were afraid of the battle.

Jdg 7:3 And now proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, **Whoever is timid and afraid**, let him *go back* and turn from mount Gilead. And **there went back of the people twenty-two thousand**; and there remained ten thousand.

3) In 1Sam17:10-11 the giant Goliath makes the entire Israel army led by King Saul to be greatly afraid.

1Sa 17:10 And the Philistine said, I have defied the ranks of Israel this day; give me a man, that we may fight together.

1Sa 17:11 And **Saul and all Israel heard these words** of the Philistine, and **they were dismayed and greatly afraid**.



4) Fear can bring a curse upon you as the statement of Job 3:25.

Job 3:25 For **I feared a fear, and it hath come upon me**, and that which I dreaded hath come to me.

Fear makes you not take risks in combat. You play it safe because you have a doubt of success. Our enemy lacks such limitations. The entire chapter 41 of Job describes in details the power of Satan, called the leviathan. He is not to be played with in battle. Jesus had to fast 40 days before battling Satan temptations. The most dangerous trait that Satan has is described in Job 41:33 – that he was made without fear – Job41:33.

**Job 41:1** Wilt thou draw out **the leviathan** with the hook, and press down his tongue with a cord?

**Job 41:33** Upon earth there is not his like, **who is made without fear**.

You will never win in warfare by playing it safe. To win it all you have to risk it all and give it your all. Jesus gave us a commandment in Luke 12:5 of only fearing the one who can cast you into hell after he has killed you.

**Luk 12:4** But I say to you, my friends, **Fear not those who kill the body and after this have no more that they can do.**

**Luk 12:5** But I will shew you whom ye shall fear: **Fear him who after he has killed has authority to cast into hell**; yea, I say to you, Fear \*him\*.

The Apocrypha is contained in the Geneva, the 1611 KJV and among others. In the Apocrypha book called *Wisdom of Solomon 17:12* it gives a very good definition of what fear is.

Apocrypha Wis 17:12 For **fear is** nothing else but **a surrender of the help which reason offers;**

Is it reasonable to fear a defeated foe? The bible speaks of satan's defeat and being bound and thrown into the lake of fire. The fearless Leviathan will be slain. We should fear Jesus who has the power to bind and cast Satan into the lake of fire..

Isa 27:1 In that day Jehovah, with his sore and great and strong sword, **will visit leviathan the fleeing serpent, and leviathan the crooked serpent;** and **he will slay the monster** that is in the sea.

RSV Revelation 12:9 And the **great dragon** was thrown down, that **ancient serpent**, who is **called the Devil and Satan**, the deceiver of the whole world--he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

RSV Revelation 20:2 And he **seized the dragon, that ancient serpent, who is the Devil and Satan**, and **bound him for a thousand years**,

RSV Revelation 20:10 and **the devil** who had deceived them **was thrown into the lake of fire and sulphur** where the beast and the false prophet were, and they will be tormented day and night for ever and ever.



The fear of the Lord instead of satan brings mighty rewards such as perfect health, driving away sins and a must before obtaining authority.

Apocrypha Sir 1:18 The **fear of the Lord** is a crown of wisdom, **making peace and perfect health to flourish;** both which are the gifts of God: and it enlargeth their rejoicing that love him.

Apocrypha Sir 1:21 The **fear of the Lord driveth away sins:** and where it is present, it turneth away wrath.

Apocrypha Sir 10:21 The **fear of the Lord goeth before the obtaining of authority:** but roughness and pride is the losing thereof.

The fear of the Lord is not done in sorrow but in joy and happiness. The last part of Neh 8:10 states that the joy of the Lord is our strength.

Neh 8:10 Then he said unto them, Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared: for *this day is* holy unto our Lord: neither be ye sorry; for **the joy of the LORD is your strength.**

A joyful heart & spirit produces medicine for healing the entire body, Prov17:22. A soldier going into battle can't be feeble but valiant and mighty men fully armed and protected.

Pro 17:22 A merry heart doeth good *like* a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.



If we are to be more Christ-like then we should laugh at our enemy as Jesus does:



Psa 2:4 He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision.

The greatest weapon in the bible that defeats Satan's fear weapon **is Joy**. Without Joy, happiness & gladness then fear will creep in and weaken your strength. Joy & Gladness are the first articles of clothing you step into before any armor is put on. Joy will allow you to face down death as Thomas encouraged the other Apostles to go to Judea to die with Jesus in Jn11:7-16.

RSV John 11:7-16

7 Then after this he said to the disciples, "**Let us go into Judea** again."

8 The disciples said to him, "**Rabbi, the Jews were but now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?**"

11 Thus he spoke, and then he said to them, "Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I go to awake him out of sleep."

12 The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover."

13 Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep.

14 Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazarus is dead;

15 and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him."

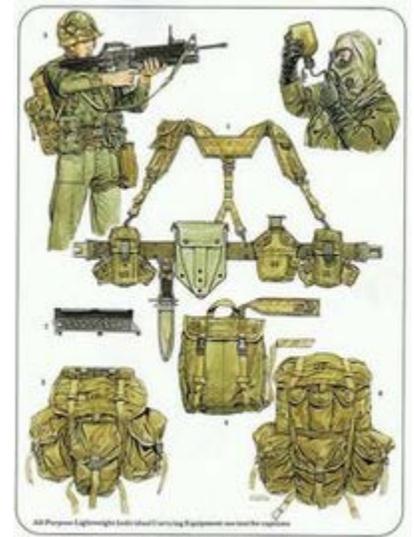
16 Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "**Let us also go, that we may die with him.**"

Joy defeats the fear weapon of Satan which then enables all the other spiritual weapons to be used.

RSV 1 Thessalonians 5:16 **Rejoice always,**

What's the uniform worn by a modern day Israelite?

1. Under garment of gladness (Thompson Sept Is61:10)
2. Beautiful garments of strength (Is52:1)
3. Garments of vengeance for clothing (Is59:17)
4. Coats of mail (Neh4:16)
5. Girded your loins with truth (Eph6:14)
6. Breastplate of righteousness (Eph6:14)
7. Shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace (Eph6:15)
8. Fury as a mantle (Is59:17)
9. Shield of faith (Eph6:16)
10. Helmet of salvation (Eph6:17)
11. Sword of the Spirit (the Bible) (Eph6:17)
12. Pray at all times in the Spirit, keep alert (Eph6:18)



Jesus will give you a ruck sack full of extras:

13. Place a wall of fire around you (Zech2:5)
14. Made us a fortified city, and iron pillar, bronze walls (Jer1:18)
15. Helping army of angels (Mt26:53)
16. Made our foreheads hard like a diamond (Ez3:9)
17. Gave us a Rest and Recovery Fortress (Ps144:2)
18. Lord goes before you, God of Israel is rear guard (Is52:12)

Jesus will train you

19. Trains my hands for war and my fingers for battle (Ps144:1)

Jesus does expect some effort on your part

20. Be strong and courageous (Josh1:7)
21. Show yourself armed and valiant (Josh1:14)
22. Take your thoughts captive (2Cor10:5)
23. Be vigorous in the work of the Lord (Jer48:10)
24. Fear God (Ecc12:13) not the enemy god (1Jn4:4)

Regards,

Called/Chosen + Hear + Believe + Repent + Confess + Baptize + Abide = Salvation -> Proclaim  
Mt22:14 + Lk11:28 + Jn3:16 + Mk6:12 + Rm10:9 + Acts2:38 + Heb10:26 = 1 Pt 3:21 -> Mt28:19-20