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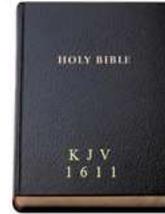
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Study to shew thyself approved unto God" (2 Tim 2:15)

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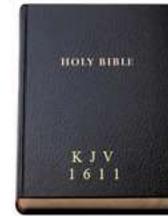
Jer 50:42

They shall hold the bow and the lance: they are cruel, and will not shew mercy: their voice shall roar like the sea, and **they shall ride upon horses,** every one put in array, like a man to the battle, **against thee, O daughter of Babylon.**

They shall hold the bow and the lance.

- LANCE= “a spear; an offensive weapon consisting of a shaft (or handle), the wings, and the dart, that was thrown by hand”
- Jeremiah 50:41-43 is virtually identical to Jeremiah 6:22-24- the difference is that the former refers to the MEDES/PERSIANS who came against Babylon and typify the SAINTS/ANGELS composing the army of the LORD, and the latter refers to the BABYLONIANS who came against Judah and typify the SINNERS/DEVILS composing the army of SATAN
- The coming of the Satanic army may counterfeit the Second Coming of Christ

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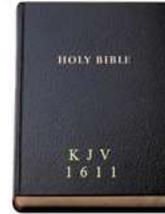


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Jeremiah 50:41-43 The army of Media/Persia	Jeremiah 6:22-24 The army of Babylon
<p>41 Behold, a people shall come <u>from the north</u>, and <u>a great nation</u>, and many kings shall be raised up <u>from the coasts of the earth</u>.</p> <p>42 <u>They shall hold the bow and the lance: they are cruel, and will not shew mercy: their voice shall roar like the sea, and they shall ride upon horses, every one put in array, like a man to the battle, against thee, O daughter of Babylon.</u></p> <p>43 <u>The king of Babylon hath heard the report of them</u>, and his hands waxed feeble: anguish took hold of him, and <u>pangs as of a woman in travail.</u></p>	<p>22 Thus saith the LORD, Behold, a people cometh <u>from the north</u> country, and <u>a great nation</u> shall be raised <u>from the sides of the earth</u>.</p> <p>23 <u>They shall lay hold on bow and spear; they are cruel, and have no mercy; their voice roareth like the sea; and they ride upon horses, set in array as men for war against thee, O daughter of Zion.</u></p> <p>24 <u>We have heard the fame thereof:</u> our hands wax feeble: anguish hath taken hold of us, and <u>pain, as of a woman in travail.</u></p>

They are cruel, and will not shew mercy.

- The Medes/Persians were CRUEL in not showing mercy to the Babylonians as a divine recompense for how the Babylonians treated the Jews (v.15 note)



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Isa 13:17-18

17 Behold, I will stir up the Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and *as for* gold, they shall not delight in it.

18 *Their* bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eye shall not spare children.

Psa 137:8-9

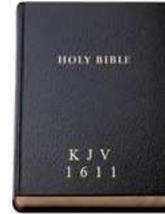
8 O daughter of Babylon, who art to be destroyed; happy *shall he be*, that rewardeth thee as thou hast served us.

9 Happy *shall he be*, that taketh and dasheth thy little ones against the stones.

- The army of the Lord will be CRUEL in not showing mercy to Babylon the Great (Isa 13:9)

Their voice shall roar.

- The words VOICE and ROAR appear together in the same verse 5x (# of DEATH) (v.42; 25:30; 51:55; Joel 3:16; Amo 1:2); 3x the words are clearly associated with the day of the Lord (i.e.- the SECOND COMING of Christ) and 2x with the judgment of Babylon which typifies the judgment of Babylon the Great at the Second Coming



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Jer 25:30

Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, **The LORD shall roar** from on high, and **utter his voice** from his holy habitation; he shall mightily **roar** upon his habitation; he shall give a **shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth.**

Joel 3:16

The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and **utter his voice** from Jerusalem; and **the heavens and the earth shall shake**: but the LORD *will be* the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.

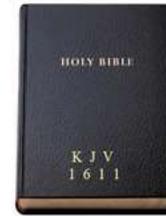
Amo 1:2

And he said, **The LORD will roar** from Zion, and **utter his voice** from Jerusalem; and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.

Jer 51:55

Because the LORD hath spoiled Babylon, and destroyed out of her **the great voice**; when her waves do **roar** like great waters, a noise of **their voice** is uttered:

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They shall ride upon horses, everyone put in array.

- The near fulfillment is the Medes/Persians and the far fulfillment is the Lord and his heavenly army

Joel 2:4-5,11

4 The appearance of them *is* as **the appearance of horses**; and as horsemen, so shall they run.

5 Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble, as a strong people set **in battle array**.

11 And **the LORD shall utter his voice** before **his army**: for his camp *is* very great: for *he is* strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD *is* great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

Rev 19:11,14

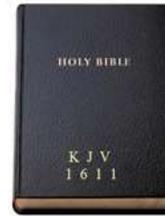
11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

14 And **the armies which were in heaven** followed him **upon white horses**, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

Against thee, O daughter of Babylon.

- The DAUGHTER OF BABYLON here could only apply to ancient Babylon because the prophetic DAUGHTER of Babylon (the USA) will not be destroyed by the Lord's army

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Jer 50:43

The king of Babylon hath heard the report of them, and his hands waxed feeble: anguish took hold of him, *and* **pangs as of a woman in travail**.

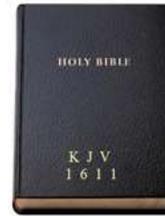
The king of Babylon hath heard the report of them.

- The near fulfillment is Nabonidus and Belshazzar, the king and viceroy of Babylon respectively, who knew the reputation of the Medes/Persians and were pained by what they heard
- The far fulfillment is Satan and the Antichrist, the prophetic KING OF BABYLON (Isa 14:4), who is pained by what he knows the Lord and his army are capable of (Dan 11:44; Joel 2:2-11)

Pangs as a woman in travail.

- The judgment and pain inflicted upon the enemies of the Lord at the Second Coming is likened to the pains of child birth because of the extremity of the pain and the fact it increases in intensity as the end nears

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Isa 13:6-9

6 Howl ye; for the day of the LORD is at hand; it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty.

7 Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every man's heart shall melt:

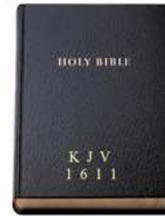
8 And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces shall be as flames.

9 Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the sinners thereof out of it.

1 The 5:2-3

2 For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

3 For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.



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Jer 50:44

Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the swelling of Jordan unto the habitation of the strong: but I will make them suddenly run away from her: and who is a chosen man, that I may appoint over her? for who is like me? and who will appoint me the time? and who is that shepherd that will stand before me?

He shall come up like a lion.

- HE= the KING OF BABYLON (v.43)= the Antichrist
- LIKE A LION = (v.17 note; 1 Pet 5:8)
- Jeremiah 50:44-46 reads virtually identical to Jeremiah 49:19-21, which refers to the judgment upon EDOM
- This is not the first time that BABYLON and EDOM are connected in the context of judgment- they are also the two entities associated with the phrases THE WILD BEASTS OF THE DESERT and the THE WILD BEASTS OF THE ISLANDS (v.39; 13:21-22; 34:11) that become a “hell on earth”
- The Edomites helped the Babylonians during the siege of Jerusalem by executing fleeing Jews or turning them over to the Babylonians (Oba 1:12-14)