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## **Wheels**

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## Wheels.

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### THE MEANING OF WHEELS

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The word, wheels ('owphan) literally mean to revolve.

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### WHEELS SIGNIFY THE FOLLOWING THINGS

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**Wheels and war:** wheels are often identified with chariots carrying warriors to battle, which is why they commonly signify, vast and mighty armies.

**Wheels like whirling dust:** signify the LORD crushing the nations to dust.

**Wheels with rims tall and awesome:** carries the idea that nations, kings, rulers, and leaders that are in focus are full of pride and arrogance.

**Wheels on chariots, carrying warriors:** signify war.

**Wheels going in any four directions without turning:** most likely signifies they came from the north, south, east, and west, and are all headed in one direction (in some contexts toward Jerusalem).

**Wheels rims were tall and awesome:** signifies, four kings of four nations being full of pride and arrogance.

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**Wheels on God's throne as flaming fire:** signify God's judgment. (Daniel 7:9).

**Wheels shining as beryl:** means they outwardly looked glorious.

**Wheels like a whirlwind:** the word whirlwind (ruwach) literally refers to a violent wind, figuratively it can carry the idea of a violent breath and exhalation of anger. Israel's enemies are often picture as coming with weapons of war against Israel on wheels like a whirlwind, the wheels in this context refer to the wheels on their many chariots.

**Wheel within wheels:** in the secular world, the expression: 'wheels within wheels,' means powers within powers. In scripture it carries the same idea, and signifies the following two things:

1. Armies coming from four separate nations, that appear so much alike in outward appearance, they appear in the vision as a wheel (powerful armies on chariots) in a wheel (powerful armies on chariots), (i.e., powers within powers).
2. Many vast and powerful armies coming from separate nations or directions, that appear so much alike in outward appearance they look like one, and the same army, making them in the vision appear as a wheel (powerful army) in a wheel (powerful army) (i.e., one vast army).

**A potter's wheel:** a potter's wheel is used to shape and mould clay. Scripture pictures God as a potter re-shaping and moulding Israel so a potter's wheel signifies the LORD moulding a people or a nation. (Jeremiah 18:3).

**Chariot wheels rumbling:** signify, vast armies and chariots. The king of the north is pictured coming with stallions stamping their hoofs and rumbling chariot wheels rushing to destroy the Philistines. (Jer. 47:3).

**Turning wheels:** everything with wheels' travels, moves, goes somewhere, so they are a symbol of taking something somewhere.

**Whirling wheels:** throughout the Bible the word whirling is used with terms like, whirling dust; like chaff before the wind; the storm of the LORD and wrath has gone forth. Whirling is linked with the LORD'S wrath going out to those who are corrupt, therefore whirling wheels are a symbol of God's judgment and His wrath going out upon the wicked.

(Psalm 83:13) (Isaiah 17:13) (Jer. 23:19) (Jer. 30:23) (Ezek. 10:2) (Ezek. 10:6) (Ezek. 10:13).

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## CHARIOT WHEELS

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- **Exodus 14:25:** Clogging their *chariot wheels* so that they drove heavily. And the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from before Israel, for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians."

The chariot wheels of the armies of Egypt got clogged in the mud when they attempted to attack and destroy Israel.

- Out of the window she peered, the mother of Sisera wailed through the lattice: 'Why is his chariot so long in coming? Why tarry the *hoofbeats (wheels in KJV) of his chariots?*' (Because Jael killed him with a tent peg (24) (Judges 5:28).

Wheels of chariots carried king Sisera to war against Israel. In this context wheels signify armies and weapons of war, because wheels and chariots carry soldiers to war.

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## WHIRLING DUST

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- **Psalm 83:13:** O my God, make them (Israel's enemies) like *whirling dust*, like chaff before the wind.
- **Isaiah 17:13:** The nations roar like the roaring of many waters, but he (the LORD) will rebuke them (the nations), and they will flee far away, chased like chaff on the mountains before the wind and *whirling dust* before the storm (Isaiah 17:13).

The expression "whirling dust," in this context signifies God utterly crushing His and Israel's enemies.

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## CHARIOT WHEELS RUMBLING

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- **Jeremiah 47:3:** At the noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his (the king of the north) stallions, at the rushing of his *chariots, at the rumbling of their wheels*, the fathers look not back to their children, so feeble are their hands, <sup>4</sup>because of the day that is coming to destroy all the Philistines, to cut off from Tyre and Sidon every helper that remains. For the LORD is destroying the Philistines, the remnant of the coastland of Caphtor.

Rumbling wheels signify armies rushing to battle.

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## POTTERS WHEELS

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- **Jeremiah 18:3:** So, I went down to the potter's house, and there he was *working at his wheel*.

A potter's wheel is used to mould (re-shape) clay into something to be admired, used sometime to signify God moulding and reshaping a nation or individual.

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## A WHIRLING TEMPEST

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- **Jeremiah 23:19:** Behold, the storm (whirlwind in KJV) of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, *a whirling tempest*; it will burst upon the head of the wicked.
- **Jeremiah 30:23:** Behold the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth (with fury in KJV), *a whirling tempest*; it will burst upon the head of the wicked (with pain in KJV)

A whirling tempest signifies, God's wrath and fury being poured out upon the wicked

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## WHEELS LIKE THE WHIRLWIND

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- **Isaiah 5:28:** Their (Israel's enemies) arrows are sharp, all their bows bent, their horses' hoofs seem like flint, and their *wheels like the whirlwind*.

Israel's enemies are picture coming with weapons of war against Israel on wheels like a whirlwind, signifying fierce and mighty armies swiftly invading a nation and bringing fear and massive destruction.

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## WHEELS AND THE SPIRIT

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- **Ezekiel 1:20-21:** Wherever the spirit wanted to go, they went, and the wheels rose along with them, for the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels. <sup>21</sup> When those went, these went; and when those stood, these stood; and when those rose from the earth, the wheels rose along with them, for the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels.

Wheels throughout the Bible are mostly linked with chariots, signifying weapons of war. The expression, "the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels," carries the idea the spirit of the living creatures was guiding the wheels (i.e., guiding the armies of the nations).

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## WHIRLING WHEELS UNDER THE CHERUBIM

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- **Ezekiel 10:2:** He said to the man clothed in linen, "Go in among *the whirling wheels* underneath the cherubim. Fill your hands with burning coals from between the cherubim, and scatter them over the city." And he went in before my eyes.
- **Ezekiel 10:6:** When he commanded the man clothed in linen, "Take fire from between *the whirling wheels*, from between the cherubim," he went in and stood *beside a wheel*
- **Ezekiel 10:13:** As for the wheels, they were called in my hearing "the whirling wheels"

Throughout the Bible the word whirling is used with the following terms, whirling dust like chaff before the wind, the storm of the LORD! Wrath has gone forth, a whirling tempest, and these terms are all linked with the LORD'S wrath going out to those that are corrupt, therefore whirling wheels are a symbol of God's judgment, and His wrath going out upon the wicked. (Psalm 83:13) (Isaiah 17:13) (Jer. 23:19) (Jer. 30:23) (Ezek. 10:2) (Ezek. 10:6) (Ezek. 10:13)

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## CHARIOT WHEELS WILL COME AGAINST ISRAEL

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- **Ezekiel 23:24:** They shall come against you (Israel) from the north with *chariots and wagons (and wheels in KJV)* and a host of peoples. They shall set themselves against you on every side with buckler, shield, and helmet; and I will commit the judgment to them, and they shall judge you according to their judgments.

Here chariot wheels are bringing a host of armies with weapons of war against Israel, which is why wheels are a common symbol for armies and weapons of war.

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## CHARIOTS HORSEMEN AND WHEELS

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- **Ezekiel 26:10:** His (Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon) horses will be so many that their (armies) dust will cover you (Tyre). Your walls will shake at the noise of the *horsemen and wagons (and of the wheels in KJV)* and *chariots*, when he (Nebuchadnezzar) enters your gates (Tyres) as men enter a city that has been breached. <sup>11</sup>With the hoofs of his horses he will trample all your streets. He will kill your people with the sword, and your mighty pillars will fall to the ground.

Wheels here are linked with multitudes of warriors with weapons of war on horses and chariots.

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## WHEELS OF BURNING FIRE ON THE THRONE OF GOD

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- **Daniel 7:9:** As I looked, thrones were placed, and the Ancient of days took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames; *its wheels were burning fire*.

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Flaming wheels on the throne of God signify, God's judgment.

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## RUMBLING WHEELS

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- **Nahum 3:1-3:** Woe to the bloody city (Nineveh), all full of lies and plunder—no end to the prey! <sup>2</sup>The crack of the whip, and *rumble of the wheel*, galloping horse and *bounding chariot!* <sup>3</sup>Horsemen charging, flashing sword and glittering spear, hosts of slain, heaps of corpses, dead bodies without end—they stumble over the bodies!

Rumbling wheels signify armies with weapons of war slaughtering their enemies.

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