

Taking a Peashooter to War

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“The best way to achieve peace is by a swift victory or, even better, by defeating the enemy before war is even begun.”

*Sun Tzu
Chinese military strategist
About 2,500 years ago*

Throughout the ages two major concepts with regard to war and peace have prevailed

1. Swift victory to achieve peace, and
2. Peace through strength (intimidation)

These concepts or philosophies were and are inherent to both past and present “world” leaders. Genghis Kan, Alexander the Great, Hannibal, and Africanus were the leaders who implemented these concepts ruled much of the known world of that time.

Napoleon, Clausewitz, Rommel, and Reagan implemented much of Tzu’s philosophy in their individual roles of achieving peace.

From Tzu to Reagan, the philosophies and methodologies that these leaders used to win wars and gain peace are studied in every military institution world-wide.

A prolonged war does not benefit anyone or any country. Such warfare depletes the resources on both sides, destroys infrastructures needed for life, affects the moral, discipline, and social structure of the attacking foe. These impacts can easily be seen in the USSR’s attempt to conquer Afghanistan, and the Arab/Iran attempt to destroy Israel. And most currently we can see what’s happening with Putin’s invasion of Ukraine.

There is no doubt that the will of the Ukrainian people is preventing Putin from having a swift conquest of that country and consequently prolong the war. Like Africanus, the Ukrainians are not considering surrender (giving up) which would be shameful in their eyes.

Putin has failed to achieve a swift victory as a result of under estimating and miscalculation of the “enemy’s” will to submit and the world support they would receive. Instead of licking his wounds, tucking his tail, and going back home, Putin has a myopic, untenable dream that cannot succeed in the long term. His dream is of past glory that no longer holds value in today’s world.

Regardless of the outcome of the Ukraine war, the western countries are intimidated by Putin and through their inactions are prolonging the war.

Europe, NATO, and the US have not provided Ukraine with the weapons they need to stop Putin’s invasion of their country. The media and politicians claim that Putin’s of going to war against the west holds us back from greater involvement and in their self-righteousness are preventing a third World War.

Such sanctimonious claims are nothing but garbage. Consider that the West has not provided fighters and other aircraft and that the missiles provided are short-range so that Ukrainians cannot fire into Russia. This type of support does nothing but prolong the war.

We have a president and government who fear their own shadow and won’t even take the basic and essential steps to provide for the security of our nation, much less provide another nation the ability to maintain its democracy over tyranny.

Our security was further compromised by the Griner-Bout prisoner exchange. While the exchange was inappropriate on many stages, it took place and gave Putin a possible hand-up to further prolong the war if Bout can function again as an arms trader.

Ukrainians are using peashooters against Russian aircraft, bombs, and missiles because **WE** will not supply Ukraine with the weapons to win the war against the invader, Vladimir Putin.