

## ***Weapon* by Jordan Ostrum**

Keen, pure interest flows through their veins  
day,  
and Night.  
Unwavering application of physics and chemistry  
Two parts perspiration, one part dedication  
When  
Eventually,  
Suddenly,  
DISCOVERY.

Discovery of something magical and glorious and  
Unknown.  
Wonder and intrigue exude constantly,  
more so than even the finest cinematic masterpiece  
or Grecian epic.

WAR  
blooms, like a black flower  
pungent and acrid.  
human beings still have not learned  
*to not kill other human beings.*  
pools of blood curdle and boil over.  
Our own Atrocities are unceremoniously,  
unquestionably,  
justified.  
"They pale in comparison to theirs," we tell ourselves  
day  
and Night.

WEAPON  
A weapon.  
The weapon.  
The weapon to end all weapons  
The weapon to end all wars.  
Or,  
at least,  
this one.  
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P.....L.....O.....S.....I  
.....O.....N!!!!  
cH,,ao...s ensues  
death pursues  
blood infused  
families confused

The Angel of Death forced to peruse  
for  
miles  
searching for the souls lost and victims  
Mutilated.

Keen, pure interest flowed through *their* veins, too  
day,  
and Night.  
Unwavering application of life and family  
Two parts perspiration, one part dedication  
When  
Eventually,  
Suddenly,  
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Keen, pure water flowed through *its* veins  
lapped upon its shores  
Curving majestically  
Unwavering application of soil and birds  
Until...  
Weapon.  
A weapon.  
The weapon.  
The weapon to end all weapons  
Mutilated  
Decimated  
*Discriminated* against this land  
our land  
our Refuge.

REMINDER  
a reminder  
that what we do  
not only impacts each other but the world around us  
Our Mistakes  
our Travesties  
our Crimes against Humanity  
Mutilate  
Decimate  
Discriminate.