

Pentagon's 'biggest boondoggles' still wasting money

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In March 2011, *The New York Times* [1] ran a feature on the Pentagon's biggest boondoggles [1]. It is based on a 2009 Government Accountability Office review of defense acquisition programs that found that two-thirds of them suffered cost overruns and delays and that generally they don't meet today's military needs. Cutting them would save about \$50 billion a year. But none of them have been cut yet.

I wrote about some of these systems for NCR Today during Lent in 2011. Below are links to those blogs.

- [Vehicles that protect the troops](#) [2]
- [F-35 fighter airplanes](#) [3]
- [Global Information Grid](#) [4]
- [Robots, drones, sensors, smart bombs and other types of artificial intelligence](#) [5]
- [The Sea Fighter, a littoral combat ship](#) [6]

All these blogs are based on Scripture: "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Luke 12:34).

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