

ANGELS



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Introduction

When the Lord encouraged me to do a study on “angels,” I had no idea the scriptures were so filled with the activities and appearances of angels to God’s people in the Old Testament; the Gospels; New Testament; and the end times. They are busy creatures!!

This study isn’t comprehensive and not every verse is given or extensive explanations given, but it’s a good overview for you to start being aware of these wonderful beings. They were created to do God’s bidding and to minister to all those who are called to be heirs of salvation (that’s us). I think the more I’m aware of them, believe in them, study them, the more sensitive spiritually I will be to actually seeing them, and I’d like to talk to some.

Notice as you go over the stories, the circumstances, reactions, personality of the angels, and how God’s kingdom operates through them. In some cases an angel appears with a brief message. In others, like in the books of Zechariah and Daniel, there are chapters of conversations that angels have with God’s people.

I’m going to go over the whole study and think about the truths in these appearances of angels, and what I can glean from their obvious importance in our lives.

I like the book *Angels in Our Lives* by Marie Chapien because she has such a close personal relationship with the angelic world, and enjoys their company. Billy Graham has a good book, *Angels, Ringing Assurance That We Are Not Alone*.

**Angels are released by positive confessions;
Demons are released by negative confessions!!**

So, watch your words!

A N G E L S

General Information

God encouraged me to do a study on **angels**. Even though I'd been a Christian many years and certainly believed in them I realized when studying that they are far more important in heaven and earth than I thought. It's like God didn't do anything or go anywhere without using some type of **angel** or **angels**. They were and are certainly His helpers.

There are different types of angels: Cherubim, seraphim, archangels and legions who populate the heavens. They can appear as men.

It's good to know that "they are all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation" (Heb. 1:7, 14). These **angels** are supernatural beings sent to work for us, to do supernatural things that we can't do. We can ask God to summon the aid of **angels** for us. At God's direction, **angels** will get involved in our finances, business affairs and family affairs.

We are not to pray to **angels** or worship them. God has told us a few times when we asked that we shouldn't be directing **angels** around but to go through Him. If an **angel** appears to you, ask God if you can have a conversation with them (before you start confiding!). I have seen **angels** a few times over the past years, but have never talked to one. Many in the Bible have conversed with **angels**, but the **angel** came to them first with a message.

Angels give direction in life when the heat is on. An **angel** appeared to Paul and told him how to save the lives of all the people on the ship that wrecked. Their assignment to the heirs of salvation is to see that the New Covenant blessings come to pass in your life. They know the New Covenant. They get involved when you speak words of faith.

The Old and New Testament are filled with stories that involve **angels**: For instance in the books of:

Genesis the word "**angel**" is mentioned 11 times and the word "**angels**" 4 times:

Exodus: **Angel** 6
Numbers: **Angel** 11

Judges	Angel 21
1 & 2 Samuel	Angel 8
1 & 2 Kings	Angel 6
1 & 2 Chron.	Angel 10
Job	Angel 1
Psalms	Angel 3
	Angels 7
Ecclesiastes	Angels 1
Isaiah	Angel 2
Daniel	Angel 2
Hosea	Angel 1
Zechariah	Angel 20
Matthew	Angel 6
	Angels 13
Mark	Angels 5
Luke	Angel 15
John	Angel 2
	Angels 9
Acts	Angel 20
	Angels 1
Romans	Angels 1
1 & 2 Cor.	Angel 1
	Angels 4
Galatians	Angel 2
	Angels 1
Hebrew	Angels 13
1 & 2 Peter	Angels 4
Jude	Angel 1
Revelation	Angel 50
	Angels 23
	Angels 2

Angels are called “holy ones” in Daniel 4:13. God’s **angels** are supernatural, celestial beings of *pure* spirit, superior to humans in power, goodness, beauty, intelligence, and abilities, and they serve God in countless ways by doing His bidding and His bidding only. **Angels** are messengers and attendant spirits, perfectly obedient to God. They exist solely to do His will, which includes the care and protection of humans as God directs.

When an angel keeps that rock from falling on your head or when he turns your car away from an oncoming 18-wheeler, it's because your Savior told him to do so.

Angels were present when God created the world. The “sons of God” in Job 38:4-7 are “**elohim**, the **angels**” shouted for joy when God created the world.

Angels can be moving in our midst, looking like regular people and we don't even know it! “Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained **angels**” (Heb. 13:2). They are invisible until God permits them to reveal themselves. When the **angels** in Genesis 19 arrived in the city of Sodom, the people thought they were simply ordinary men.

Angels can take on many appearances – God is incredibly creative.

Angels can be the blaze of a crackling brush fire or the flame of a slim wax candle; **angels** can be the wind rattling against the windows or the gust of a winter storm; **angels** can be flashes of dancing color; a snake in the apple tree, or the stranger next to you on the train. They can also appear in many forms, even as shafts and pillars of light, which only the *spiritual* can see.

They can be frightening: when an **angel** appeared to Daniel “he lost his strength, turned pale and was helpless” (Dan. 10:8).

The **angels** are everywhere, the **angelic** host fills the heavens and they love and live in God's presence 24/7. They love as God loves, and love us because God loves us.

Thrones, dominions, principalities, and powers refer to the categories of **angels** whom Christ rules over. This hierarchy among spirit beings was established before He created the world. Christ is ruler over His holy **angels** as well as the fallen **angels**. Powers and principalities of satan's domain rule over nations and cities as well as villages and households. The definition of “powers” (as seen in Eph. 3:10) is “**angelic** beings,” which are demonic **angelic** beings, not God's **angelic** beings.

There exist untold trillions of these heavenly beings (Dan. 7:9-10; Rev. 5:11). They fight with enormous power and authority for the cause of Christ and operate in the material, earthly realm as well as the invisible heavenly realm (Rev. 12:7).

What form do angels take? The Bible tells us how **angels** appear as shining figures bathed in light and dressed in white. Often they appear as fierce warriors. Sometimes they show up as ordinary men. **Angels** take on many different appearances in the Word of God: A serpent (Gen. 3); as men (Gen. 18:2; 19:1-12); flames in a burning bush, the **angel** of the Lord, the Lord Himself appeared to Moses as flames in a burning bush (Acts 7:30); wind or flames of fire (Heb. 1:2); horses and chariots of fire (2 Ki. 6:17); **angels** unawares, which are **angels** in any form whatsoever.

What do Angels Do?

They drive spirit horses (see 2 Ki. 2:12; 6:13-17; Zech. 1:7-11; 6:1-6).

They guard gates (Rev. 21:12; cf. Gen. 3:24).

They wage war in actual bodily combat (Rev. 12:7-9); 2 Thess.. 1:7-10).

They execute judgments (Gen. 19; 2 Sam. 24; 2 Ki. 19:35; 2 Chron. 32:21; Ps. 78:49; Mt. 13:41-42; Acts 12:23; Rev. 8:1-9, 12, Rev. 15:1-16:2)

They minister to saints (1 Ki. 19:5-7; Dan, 6:22; Mt. 4:11; Acts 10; Heb. 1:14).

They rule nations (Dan. 10:13-21; 12:1).

They watch over children (Mt. 18:10).

They sing, praise, and worship God (Lk. 2:13; Ps. 103:20; 148:2; Rev. 5:11).

They strengthen us as we go through trials (Mt. 4:11; Lk. 22:43).

They lead sinners to Gospel workers (Acts 10:3).

They guide ministers (Acts 8:26).

They appear in dreams (Mt. 1:20-24; 2:13-19).

They minister before God (Rev. 8:2; 14:15-19).

They bind satan and guard his abyss (Rev. 9:1; 20:1-3).

They regather Israel (Mt. 24:31).

They protect saints (Ps. 34:7; 91:11; Acts 12:7-10).

They separate the good from the bad (Mt. 13:19-41).

They accompany Christ to the earth (Mt. 16:27; 25:31; 2 Thess. 1:7, 10).

They witness confessions (Lk. 15:7).

They receive departed spirits (Lk. 16:22).

They give laws and revelations (Acts 7:30-33; Heb. 2:2; 2 Ki. 1:15; Dan. 8:15-19; 9:21-23; 10:10-20).

They impart God's will (Acts 5:19-20; 10:1-6).

They bring answers to prayer (Dan. 9:21-23; 10:12-13; Acts 10).

They are present in the Church (1 Cor. 11:10; Eph. 3:10; 1 Tim. 5:21).

Angels are near you to bring you closer to God. They are *messengers* called “malak” in the Old Testament, a word which occurs 108 times.

Angelos is the Greek word that translates as “**angel**,” and this word occurs 186 times in the New Testament.

Angels were with Jesus every minute of His life on earth. They were active in His life on earth in both seen and unseen forms. They were a vital presence in the earthly life of Jesus and attended to Him through each stage of His sojourn here and were His constant spiritual companions.

Throughout the Bible God’s **angels** made themselves known to God’s people, revealing to them the very things God wanted them to know. Supernatural visions, revelations, and **angelic** manifestations are foundation stones upon which the Church was established and upon which it stands.

People that have **angels** appear to them say they ask the Lord first if they could ask questions of the **angels** and the Lord has said “ask.” Marie Chapien says “we must take care to always ask permission of the Lord before talking to **angels**. And if we thank our personal **angels** who are assigned to us, be sure to thank Jesus first. **Angels** accept no compliments for themselves.”

We know all the conversations God’s people in the Bible have had with **angels**, but usually the **angel** appears to them with a specific message, and the person didn’t necessarily ask for them.

Marie Chapien said that God had her meet her personal **angel**. The **angel** told her he had been with her since birth and had been assigned to her for life. He said he was a warrior and that all **angels** are warriors, and that he appeared to her in human-like form because she could understand and relate to the human form. He told her **angels** take on many forms in the spirit, as does the Lord Himself. (The Lord is a lion, a lamb, etc.)

The **angels** are encamped around you because you belong to God and love Him. They are not encamped around you to simply hang out. They are encamped around you to be your partners in bringing the glory of the Lord to earth.

There are four **angels** named in scripture:
Lucifer (Isa. 14:12; Ezek. 28:11-17).
Michael (v. 13, 21; 12:1; Jude 9; Rev. 12:7).
Gabriel (8:16; 0:21; Lk. 1:19, 26).

Abaddon or Apollyon (Rev. 9:11).

When our enemy taunts us and says we're toast, as Sennacherib, king of Assyria, did in 2 Chr. 32:21, Hezekiah and Isaiah prayed for deliverance.

“And the Lord sent an **angel**, which cut off all the mighty men of valor, and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of Assyria.” Sennacherib returned in shame and his children slew him.

Ranks of Angels:

Seraphim and Cherubim

These are God's highest order of **angels**. They are the guardians who stand before God's throne. Night and day, the *Seraphim* praise the Lord, crying, “Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts.”

Cherubim show forth God's power and mobility as His holy attendants. The cherubim and seraphim have intimate knowledge of God and give Him continual praise and adoration.

Thrones (thronoli) refer to those who sit upon them, both good and evil **angels**.

Archangel

The word “arch” means “chief.” ***Michael*** is like a general. He is a powerful fighter with a particular responsibility for Israel. In Daniel 10:21 and 12:1 he is called “the prince of Israel.” In Daniel 10:13, Michael arrived to answer Daniel's prayers after being withstood by the Prince of Persia for 21 days. In the New Testament Jude 9 recounts Michael winning the battle with Lucifer over the body of Moses. In Rev. 12:7-9 we see Michael as the commanding officer of legions of **angels** casting satan and his cohorts out of heaven.

I have read that the Catholic Church adds another archangel, “**Raphael**” from a few books they have in the middle of their Bible, called the *Apocrypha*, that the Protestant church has not added. Otherwise, the Catholic Bible is similar to our King James Version.

Gabriel

Gabriel, whose name in Hebrew means “mighty one of God,” or “God's hero,” or “God is great,” serves God as His messenger.

Gabriel isn't actually called an archangel in the Bible, contrary to popular opinion. There is only one archangel and that's Michael.

Gabriel appears in the book of Daniel imparting revelation concerning future events in God's Kingdom. God sent Gabriel to Daniel to interpret Daniel's vision in Daniel 8:15-16. He also appeared in Daniel 9:21 with loving words for Daniel from God and an interpretation of another vision. In the New Testament Gabriel came to Zacharias to tell him he would have a son named John the Baptist, and it was Gabriel who appeared to Mary announcing the birth of Jesus. Gabriel is primarily a messenger of mercy and promise, whereas Michael is the general of the army, a chief warrior.

The Heavenly Host

These are the legions and legions of **angels** who populate the heavens. Most references to **angels** in the Bible don't give us their names, but they are powerful agents of God. One example is the solitary **angel** in 2 Ki. 19:35 who killed 185,000 Assyrian enemy soldiers in a single night. These are your personal **angels** and mine.

For the most part these **angels** do not have wings. **Angels** do not need wings to fly. These are the **angels** who personally partner with, under the leadership of our Commander in Chief, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Thrones, Dominions, Principalities, Powers

These are the *ruling angels* we read of in Eph. 1:21; 3:10; Col. 1:16; 2:10, and 1 Pet. 3:22, which speak of principalities, powers, might, authorities, and dominions that Jesus Christ is Lord over.

Paul lists four kinds of **angels** among those who rebelled with satan against God (won't list all the scriptures):

Principalities; Powers; Rulers of the Darkness of This World;
Spiritual Wickedness in High Places (Eph. 6:11-12).

Cherubim

Cherubim is plural for the word *cherub*. The letters of the Hebrew root word for cherub means "holding something in safekeeping," and the name "cherubim" means to "be near." These **angelic** beings tender the most intimate service to the Almighty. The plural form of cherub, "cherubim," occurs 64 times in the Scriptures.

A real cherub is nothing like those cute, chubby, baby like creatures we see in paintings and on the shelves of gift stores. A cherub is actually very curious looking.

They are magnificently full of light and so close to God, they appear as “whirling balls of fire.” Ezekiel describes the cherubim as living creatures with four faces and four wings. He describes these four living beings as having bodies like men, but with four faces each – a human face in front, an eagle’s face behind, a lion’s face to the left, and an ox’s face to the right. When these creatures move, their knees do not bend, but they remain straight and stiff. Their feet are like the soles of calves sparkling like burnished bronze. Each figure has four arms, two attached to each shoulder, and attached to their arms are wings. Of these four winged arms, two are outstretched above them and two cover their bodies.

Ezekiel in 1:13-14:

“As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance was like burning coals of fire, like the appearance of torches going back and forth...[they] ran back and forth, in appearance like a flash of lightning.”

That doesn’t sound like the cuddly figures you see of cherub on cards, etc. Ezekiel went on to say that the four living beings stood together facing in four opposite directions, and between them were four huge wheels, each wheel being double so that it could roll forward or sideways forming a wondrous sort of **angelic** chariot. In each of the four directions it moved it always presented the same viewpoint (see Ezek. 1:15-21).

The cherubim not only have four faces, four sides, and four wings, they are covered with eyes! (The eyes are important features. The seraphim, another **angel** classification, are also covered in eyes.) The tops of the outstretched wings of the cherubim touch a great expanse of crystal, and on this crystal is a sapphire throne. Compare the ecstatic vision of Ezekiel (593-571 B.C.) with those of John on the Isle of Patmos (A.D. 94-96).

The cherubim are the first **angelic** beings the Bible speaks of. They appear as guardian keepers in Gen. 3:14 after God drove Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden. He stationed the cherubim with whirling, flaming swords to keep Adam and Eve from eating of the Tree of Life in their fallen condition.

The cherubim appear again in Exodus 25:18-22 when God commands the construction of the Ark of the Covenant. God instructed the cherubim to face each other with their wings stretching out as a canopy to cover the mercy seat.

They were also woven into the Tabernacle curtains and the veil for the Holy of Holies. Solomon had huge, 15-foot tall cherubim figures carved in olive wood and covered in gold in the inner sanctuary of the Temple and carved on all the walls of the Temple, both the inner and outer sanctuaries. He made carts and panels for the Temple with cherubim designs.

Cherubim are always associated with the glory and Presence of God. The two cherubim on the other side of God's throne are His chariot, or honor guard, upholding His glory. A repeated phrase that is used to describe the Lord is as One who "dwells between the cherubim" or "Who sits upon the cherubim" or "Who dwells above the cherubim."

Cherubim are the angelic guardians of God's Presence, and they actually become His chariot as He requires. When God went down to hell to resurrect His Son, He "rode upon a cherub and did fly..." (Ps. 18:10); and "He bowed the heavens also, and came down with darkness under His feet. He rode upon a cherub, and did fly; and He was seen upon the wings of the wind" (2 Sa. 22:10-11).

Seraphim

Close relatives of the cherubim are the seraphim. The plural for seraph is seraphim. Isaiah describes them as having six wings, unlike the cherubim, who have four wings. They have two wings to cover their faces (so they wouldn't gaze directly into God's glory), two to cover their feet (acknowledging their subservience to God), and two with which to fly (serving the Lord who sits on the throne). They worship God day and night, crying out in praise, "*Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts: The whole earth is full of His glory!*" (Isa. 6:3).

833 years later the apostle John, on the Isle of Patmos, writes of the very seraphim Isaiah saw. He, like Isaiah, describes them as four living creatures (full of eyes in front and in back) – one like a lion, one like a calf, one like a man, and the fourth like an eagle. They each have six wings and are "full of eyes around and within." Their eyes are not omniscient like God's, but nothing escapes their scrutiny, and they worship the Lord continually.

The seraphim do not rest day or night, for they are constantly crying out, *“Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, Who was and is and is to come!”* (Rev. 4:8).

One of the seraphim touched Isaiah’s lips with a live coal from the altar and gave him a message from the Lord who sat on the throne. *“Your iniquity is taken away and your sin is purged”* (Isa. 6:7). The Lord said, *“Whom shall I send, and who will go for Us?”* (Isa. 6:8). Isaiah responded *“Here am I, Send me.”* So we see the seraphim helping to launch Isaiah’s ministry; and we can pray for hot, purifying coals to visit our own lips as God sends out more workers in this day.

Referred to as fiery serpents, the singular noun, seraph, designates the brazen serpent in Num. 21:8 and the flying seraph of Isaiah 14:29 and 30:6. The holy seraphim Isaiah and John saw are celestial beings who praise God night and day and are right at this very moment shouting their praises to God in heaven.

Our Guardian Angels

The Bible doesn’t use the term, “guardian **angel**” but we refer to our helping **angels** as “guardian **angels**. They are our “keepers” and we are their “charges.” Our **angels** are wonderful allies. They are fully aware of the rocky roads we encounter, as well as the temptations and anguish of the soul that we must overcome. They watch as we plow along muddy roads. They are with us when we run up against roadblocks, and they are with us when we fall into life’s murky pits, when we’re wounded and hurt. *They bear us up in their hands, lest we even dash our foot against a stone”* (Ps. 91:11-12).

They watch over us and reach out their long, protecting arms when we stumble and crash headlong on our faces. They hold us in their arms so we don’t mess ourselves up beyond recognition. They show us how to follow God’s will, not theirs and not our own. And they never give up on us. Once an **angel** is assigned to us, he’s ours forever.

Hearing Your Angel Speak

Recently, a missionary woman was asleep in her house in the busy country of Africa when her **angel** woke her and told her some men from another village were coming to kill her.

She fled to a church elder's house, and the next morning they found her house burned to the ground and all her possessions destroyed. But because the woman *heard* the voice of her **angel**, she was able to escape unharmed.

(Of course there are many examples of people seeing **angels**. Don't know percentage of those that have conversations with them.)

Angels are our spiritual helpers. They work alongside us to raise our level of spiritual awareness throughout our entire lives. They do not reside within us, but travel *alongside* us. **Angels** speak to our hearts constantly as one means by which God leads and helps us, and they continually whisper to us of love and peace and wholeness and how to fulfill our destiny as God's chosen. A good confession: "The angels go before me. They direct and prosper my way."

We carry within us the activity of heaven.

Our Lite of Life Angels

I have seen an **angel** around a pond on our property, walking around. The Lord told us awhile back to ask Him to post more **angels** around our property because times were getting more dangerous. There have been other visitations of **angels** but right now can't remember their names without going back through large thick books of meetings. But I do have the record handy of a couple recent appearances--

September 2, 2012

Jack and I were praying, and when he started to pray, unexpectedly I felt and saw a huge **angel** in front of us. This one did have a huge vague appearance of something like wings even though most **angels** don't have wings. I was also aware of the motion of other **angels** on either side of the main **angel**. They were in misty white and surrounded by misty white. We asked the Lord about it and He spoke to us through tongues and interpretation:

"The Lord says to you that you need to realize that the blessing of the Lord is upon this family and upon your ministry. And the Lord says that there will be **angels** there to bless you and help you, and to the two of you to keep the faith, keep your heart and mind fixed and stayed on Me. Many things will try to distract you.

“Be prepared, be ready for the battle. There will always be **angels** there to take you through, and always realize that you are children of God and you will pass through.

“Remind yourself of the battles in My Word and if you do, you will realize that you will never lose the battle.”

(We have had some battles since then, but God’s power and help is greater than our battles, and isn’t our faith often tested and tried?).

October 2, 2012

While walking and praying in my spirit language, I was aware of an **angel** upstairs in prayer room sitting at the desk. There was nothing distinguishing about him, just the impression of a big white **angel**, wasn’t aware of wings. We asked the Lord, and He said through tongues and interpretation:

“And the Lord says to you that the Lord shows you that which you need to know; and the **angel** is here to bless your ministry and to help you in this area of your life.

“And the Lord says that the **angel** will bless the things that you do, the things that you write, and when you pray they will be more effective.”

January 9, 2008

Saw the tallest **angel** I’ve ever seen, taller than our houses, kind of running up our hill and swirling around the middle yard up and around our son’s house, and around our daughter’s house, to the front and then down the hill. (Our family lives in a circle on a hill, four houses.)

“The Father shows you that the protection of the Lord is upon these residences, and the Lord says to you, if you remain faithful and true to the Lord, you know that the Lord will remain faithful and true to you.”

For your deliverance interest, the Lord has taught us that there are **angels** against those that have had abortions because they have tried to destroy the little one their angel has been assigned to. This hurting can be refined even more to include hurting with your tongue or actions the little ones on earth that their angels love. There is always confession and repentance.

November 25, 2007

We (our family) had to travel over Snoqualmie pass at different times, which can be dangerous with snow and slippery roads. In thinking about this, the Lord showed me a vision:

“I saw **angels** all over the pass, some were holding back rocks, some were moving cars out of our way, some were on embankments to keep us from going off. They were busy making our paths straight and safe. It was a beautiful sight.”

November 29, 2007

I saw in an open vision a huge serpent against our ministry, flickering tongue, and smaller snakes around. Then I saw an **angel** with two hands break the long neck of the big serpent, and saw other **angels** with like brooms and dustpans scooping the snakes out of our area.

There are many verses in the Bible pertaining to **angels**:

“The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even thousands of **angels**: the Lord is among them, as in Sinai, in the holy place.” (Ps. 68:17)

“Bless the Lord, ye his **angels**, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. Bless ye the Lord, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure” (Ps. 103:20-21).

So when you speak the Word and make positive confessions the **angels** can go to work on your behalf.

Kenneth Copeland teaches extensively on the “Blessing of Abraham.” It’s a wonderful, faith-building message. Try to get information on it. The following excerpt concerns **angels** so will quote part of it. It is taken from their ministry book, “How to Get Your Prayers Answered.”

“The **angels** of God have been sent to minister for the heirs of the promise of Abraham (Gen. 17). And, according to Gal. 3:29, you and I are “heirs according to the promise!”

Angels of God have been sent to perform whatever is necessary to establish God’s promise in the earth. They are assigned to administer THE BLESSING of Abraham to his seed in the current generation.

Just as surely as God established His covenant with Isaac, He is obligated by His own Word to establish His covenant with you. Gal. 3:29 says, “If ye be Christ’s, then are ye Abraham’s seed.” Glory to God! If you have made Jesus The LORD of your life, then you are the seed of Abraham and heir to his blessing.

The angels are to administer the New Covenant (which is the fulfillment of the Old Covenant) to the heirs of promise. From Genesis to Revelation, you see the **angels** administering God’s covenant to Abraham and his seed. Galatians 3:19 says the law was “ordained by **angels**.” Ordained is used in the sense of “administered.”

Angels are God’s agents to see that His Word, His covenant, is fulfilled in the earth.

The Lord says in Ps. 103:20-21 that **angels** are “His ministers who do His pleasure.” And what is God’s pleasure? Psalm 35:27 says, “Let the Lord be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.” His pleasure is your prosperity in every area of life: relationships, health, finances – every area.

Hilton Sutton shared with us once that as nearly as he can figure there would be about 100 trillion **angels**. (See Rev. 5:11.) I believe that is enough to establish God’s covenant in the earth! There is no shortage of **angel** power.”

Fifty Things God’s Angels Aren’t & Don’t Do

Angels aren’t good people who died. (People can’t become **angels**.)

Angels don’t cry.

Angels don’t answer your prayers. (God answers prayers.)

Angels don’t beg.

Angels don’t sleep.

Angels don’t worry.

Angels don’t desire attention.

Angels don’t act on their own accord.

Angels don’t marry, nor are they given in marriage.

Angels don’t have baby **angels**. (They don’t procreate.)

Angels don’t mediate. (There is one mediator, Jesus Christ.)

Angels aren’t cute, little, fat babies with wings. (Cupid is not an **angel**.)

Most **angels** don’t have wings, except the cherubim and seraphim.

Angels don't wear halos. They shine with the glory of God.
Angels don't sin.
Angels don't have temper tantrums.
Angels are never afraid.
Angels don't pout.
Angels don't stress out.
Angels aren't human. (Your Aunt Tess is not an **angel**; or your husband.)
Angels aren't impatient.
Angels don't gossip or find fault.
God's holy **angels** don't act as "spirit guides," nor do they "channel," as certain cults would have you believe. Those are false spirits. God's **angels** live to serve God, not people.
Angels don't act of their own accord.
Angels don't heal. (Jesus dispatches them in His name to do His bidding, which may include healing, but they cannot heal in and of themselves.)
Angels don't deliver us from evil. (They are charged by God in all their actions.)
Angels don't appear as females as often as they appear as males.
Angels don't age or die.
Angels are not subject to the limitations of humans.
Angels are not naive and are incredibly wiser than humans.
Angels are not as smart, wise, or powerful as God is.
Angels aren't omnipotent. They aren't all powerful; only God is.
Angels aren't omniscient. They do not know everything; only God does.
Angels don't have the power to create; they are created beings.
Angels don't always show up immediately.
Angels don't receive any hint of worship; they are not to be worshiped.
Angels don't languish around on clouds all day playing harps. They are mighty spiritual warriors.
Angels aren't wimps. They possess superhuman physical strength. An **angel** rolled away a stone weighing almost a ton from in front of Jesus' tomb.
Angels don't eat manna. (Manna is called "angel food" in Ps. 78:25 to denote its superior excellence.)
Angels don't ever interfere with God's will.

Angels have personalities.
Angels have a will.

Angels lovingly *choose* to worship, praise, and serve the Lord. It's their *choice*. When satan plummeted from God's presence, one-third of the angels chose to plummet with him. Two-thirds remained loyal to the living God.

The angel of the Lord *chooses* to encamp around those who fear Him, and *chooses* to deliver them, because the angels love God and God loves us. They are not God's automatons. They have a will and a choice. God's angels choose to do God's will, and they willingly choose to partner with us to fulfill any and all of God's desires.

Angels are intelligent.

Everything angels do is genius – from guiding to protecting to helping to judging. Gal. 3:19-20 tell us the law was appointed through angels. It was an angel who spoke to Moses on Mount Sinai to give him the oracles of God. Acts 7:53 talks about the law made by the direction of angels. At the end of the age, angels come forth and separate the wicked from among the just. Angels are beautiful and good, but they are not naïve, little cupids. You don't trifle with an angel, or lie, or try to fool an angel.

Angels have emotions.

Angels dance, sing, and shout. They're talented musicians and thrill heaven with their passionate music. They were happy and excited when Christ was born. They are fun and not always supremely serious beings in serious robes, speaking in serious tones. Marie Chapien says she has seen angels playing merrily, laughing, cavorting, hopping around, having a good time.

Angels are curious.

1 Peter 1:12 tells us that the angels desire to look into the very things of God that have been given to us. Angels are smart and they have a holy curiosity which feeds their holy intelligence. They are incredibly intelligent and experienced. There is not a language they don't speak. They are always learning, always alert and 100 percent present. Angels don't daydream, mind-wander, or zone out.

Angels are disciplined.

Angels know the Word of God inside and out; they study it thoroughly. David called them “mighty ones who do His Word,” (Ps. 103:20). They obey instantly and without question. No angel of God is ever depressed or wiped out, because they are living in the Presence of God always.

Angels are patient.

Angels are meek.

Angels don’t rise up in “holy indignation” and carry on about their rights and who did them wrong. They do not pound their chests demanding respect. They do not fling insults at the devil or spiritual authorities.

Angels have boundless energy.

Angels need no rest. They don’t rest day or night, crying “Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty.” Angels do not wipe out or gasp for breath while climbing hills. When the angel moved the stone in front of Jesus’ tomb, he didn’t complain of blisters or a pulled tendon.

Angels, just like God, haven’t had a wink of sleep since the creation of the world. Angels were created before mankind; they do not have to study history; they have lived every minute of it. They understand and are familiar with human behavior in every possible situation and culture. They have seen it all.

Angels accept you.

Marie Chapien says many times when she feels the presence of angels, she feels *accepted*. Not a single hair of fault-finding or distrust, competition, or intimidation. One of *total* acceptance, and one she wants to hold onto.

A N G E L S

Old Testament

There have been approximately 104 appearances of **angels** to men in the Bible:

Hagar (2): Genesis 16:7-11; 21:17

Hagar was cast out of Abraham and Sarah's dwelling because she wasn't submissive to Sarah. An **angel** found her by a fountain in the desert. He started a conversation with her and asked her where she came from and where she was going. Hagar said "I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai."

The **angel** of the Lord said to her, "Return to your mistress, and submit yourself under her hands." (She didn't seem too surprised that an **angel**—maybe in the form of a man—appeared to her, and didn't ask who he was or why he was there talking with her.)

The **angel** of the Lord continued talking with her, and said that he was going to multiply her seed exceedingly, that she was with child, would bear a son and call him *Ishmael* because the Lord had heard her affliction.

That was good news, but then the **angel** went on to say that Ishmael would be a wild man, his hand against every man, and every man's hand against him.

Hagar called the **angel**, "well of the living one who sees me." And that "even in the wilderness I have looked upon Him who sees me and lived."

Interesting conversation. So Hagar went back to Sarai's house (tent) and bore Ishmael.

Seventeen years later Hagar and Ishmael were cast out of Abraham's dwelling because Ishmael mocked Isaac. She was weeping in the desert and Ishmael was crying, and she said (doesn't say to God), "Let me not see the death of my child."

"And God heard the voice of **the lad**; and the **angel** of God called to Hagar **out of heaven**, and said to her, 'What's wrong with you Hagar? fear not; for

God has heard the **voice of the lad.**” Again he said he would make him a great nation. Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water, filled the bottle and gave it to her son.

Abraham (3): Genesis 18:2; 22:11, 15

The Lord appeared to Abraham as he sat in his tent door. While Abraham was looking, three men (**angels**) stood by him. He and Sarah fixed food for them (**angels eat**) and asked Abraham where his wife was. And he was told that “at this time next year” Sarah would bear a son. Sarah laughed when she heard it for she was 89 and Abraham was 99. The angels corrected her.

So after that bombshell, the men (**angels**) got up and looked toward Sodom and Abraham walked with them awhile. The Lord started talking to the little crowd and said, “Shall I hide from Abraham the thing that I am going to do seeing that Abraham is going to become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?”

So He proceeded to confide that the “sin of **Sodom and Gomorrah** is great, and their sin (homosexuality) is **very grievous.**” And you probably remember the conversation in the rest of the chapter, because Abraham wanted his nephew Lot saved who lived there.

In Genesis 19 “**two angels came to Sodom**” where Lot lived. The **angels** were very active in saving Lot’s family from the homosexuals that were pounding on Lot’s door to have sex with the two men (**angels**). The **angels** eventually took Lot and wife and two daughters by the hand and led them out of Sodom.

Then the Lord “**rained upon Sodom and Gomorrah brimstone and fire from the Lord out of heaven.**” Lot was saved because of Abraham.

The second time **angels** appeared to Abraham was when he was going to sacrifice (kill) his only son Isaac. He took the knife to slay his son and “The **angel** called to him **out of heaven**, and said, Abraham, Abraham,” and said not to slay his son, and that now God knows you fear God because you didn’t withhold your son.

The third time was in Genesis 22:15, “And the **angel** of the Lord called unto Abraham **out of heaven the second time.**” And here is where the famous blessing of Abraham came that in his seed (we are also the seed of Abraham) shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because Abraham had obeyed the Lord. The BLESSING.

In Genesis 24:7 Abraham was sending his servant to get a wife for Isaac, and told him that “God would send **his angel before him**, and he will find the wife.”

Jacob (4): Genesis 28:12; 31:11; 32:1, 24

In Genesis 28:11 is the well-known **ladder dream** where Jacob laid down, and behold a ladder was set up on the earth, and the top of it reached to heaven: and “behold the **angels of God ascending and descending on it.**” And the Lord stood above the ladder and gave Jacob the same blessing He had given to Abraham. The BLESSING.

The second time was in Genesis 31:11, and the **angel** of the Lord appeared to him in a **dream** and gave him the wisdom to acquire a lot of cattle before he left Laban’s house.

The third time, Genesis 32:1, Jacob was leaving Laban and “the **angels of God** met him.” When Jacob **saw** them, he said “This is **God’s host.**”

The fourth time, Genesis 32:24, when he was by the brook Peniel and a man (**angel**) wrestled with him until the break of day. Jacob wouldn’t let him go until the **angel** blessed him. His thigh came out of joint as he wrestled with him, and his thigh remained that way.

This was the time when his name was changed from “Jacob” to “Israel.” Jacob was 97 years old.

When Jacob (Israel) was dying, he said, “The God who has fed me all my life long to this day, the **angel** who has redeemed me from all evil.”

Moses: Exodus 32

The **angel** of the Lord appeared to him in a flaming bush. God called to Moses from the burning bush, and explained that He wanted Moses to deliver the children of Israel. They had quite a long discussion about this.

In Exodus 12:3-11 and 12:12, 29, the **destroying angel** came and smote all the firstborn of Egypt.

In Exodus 33:2, the Lord said, “And I will send an **angel** before thee; and I will drive out” (all your enemies).

Moses blessed the children of Israel before his death. He told them the Lord shined forth from Mount Paran, and He came with ten thousand holy ones” (**angels**).

Balaam: Numbers 22:22-35

The **angel** of the Lord withstood Balaam’s donkey. When the donkey saw the **angel** of the Lord, she fell down, and Balaam beat her. But the Lord “opened the mouth of the ass” and she and Balaam had a confrontation with words. Balaam didn’t seem that shocked that he was arguing with a donkey.

Joshua: Joshua 5:13-15

“And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went to him, and said to him, Are you for us, or for our adversaries?

“And he said, No; but as **captain of the host of the Lord** am I now come. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said to him, What saith my lord unto his servant?

“And the **captain of the Lord’s host** said to Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest is holy. And Joshua did so.”

Later in Exodus 32:34, the Lord told Joshua, “Lead the people to the place I have spoken, behold, mine **Angel** shall go before thee.”

Israel, children of: Judges
2:1-5

“And an **angel** of the Lord came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said, I made you to go up out of Egypt, and have brought you unto the Land which I swore unto your fathers; and I said, I will never break my covenant with you.

“And ye shall make no league with the inhabitants of this land; ye shall throw down their altars; but ye have not obeyed my voice: why have ye done this?

“Wherefore I also said, I will not drive them out from before you; but they shall be as thorns in your sides, and their gods shall be a snare unto you.

“And it came to pass, when the **angel** of the Lord spake these words unto all the children of Israel, that the people lifted up their voice, and wept.”

All Israel was rebuked by an **angel**. Would have liked to witness that scene.

Gideon: Judges
6:11-22

“And there came an **angel** of the Lord, and sat under an oak, and Gideon threshed wheat by the winepress, to hide it from the Midianites.

“And the **angel** of the Lord appeared to him, and said to him, The Lord is with thee, thou mighty man of valour.

“And Gideon said to him, Oh my Lord, if the Lord be with us, why then is all this befallen us? And where are all his miracles which our fathers told us of, saying, Did not the Lord bring us up from Egypt? But now the Lord has forsaken us, and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites.

“And the Lord looked upon him, and said, Go in this thy might, and you shall save Israel from the hand of the Midianites: have not I sent thee?

“And he said unto him, Oh my Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? Behold, my family is poor in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father’s house.

“And the Lord said to him, Surely I will be with thee, and thou shalt smite the Midianites as one man.

And he said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight, then shew me a sign that thou talkest with me.

“Depart not hence, I pray thee, until I come unto thee, and bring forth my present, and set it before thee. And he said, I will tarry until thou come again.

“And Gideon went in, and made ready a kid, and unleavened cakes of an ephah of flour: the flesh he put in a basket, and he put the broth in a pot, and brought it out unto him under the oak, and presented it.

“And the **angel** of God said unto him, Take the flesh and the unleavened cakes, and lay them upon this rock, and pour out the broth. And he did so.

“Then the **angel** of the Lord put forth the end of the staff that was in his hand, and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there rose up fire out of the rock, and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes. Then the **angel** of the Lord departed out of his sight.

“And when Gideon perceived that he was an **angel** of the Lord, Gideon said, Alas, O Lord God! For because I have seen an **angel** of the Lord face to face.”

Manoah’s wife (2): Judges 13:3-5, 9; **Manoah** (1) Judges 13:11-20
Manoah was Samson’s father. Samson’s announced birth is fascinating:

“And the **angel** of the Lord appeared unto the woman, and said to her, Behold now, thou art barren, and bearest not: but thou shalt conceive, and bear a son.

“Now therefore beware, I pray thee, and drink not wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean thing:

“For, lo, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and no razor shall come on his head: for the child shall be a Nazarite unto God from the womb: and he shall begin to deliver Israel out of the hand of the Philistines.

“Then the woman came and told her husband, saying, A man of God came to me, and his countenance was like the countenance of an **angel** of God, very terrible.

“But he said to me, Behold, thou shalt conceive, and bear a son; and now drink no wine nor strong drink, neither eat any unclean thing: for the child shall be a Nazarite to God from the womb to the day of his death.”

The following is interesting. After his wife’s family-changing news, Manoah talked to the Lord:

“Then Manoah intreated the Lord, and said, O my Lord, let the man of God which thou didst send come against to us, and teach us what we shall do unto the child that shall be born.”

Good question. I wish I had asked that with each pregnancy, Lord, show us what to do with this child. God didn’t say enough is enough, I already talked to your wife once, but God said, vs. 9.

“And God hearkened to the voice of Manoah; and the **angel** of God came again **to the woman** as she sat in the field: but Manoah her husband was not with her.

So again the woman ran and told Manoah, and said, The man that had appeared to her before came again. So Manoah went after his wife, and came to the man, and said unto him, Are you the man that spoke unto the woman? And he said, I am.

So Manoah asked him, what do we do with this child, how shall we order him. And the **angel** of the Lord said to Manoah, Of all that I said to the woman let her beware, and then repeated the instructions. Manoah said, Let us detain you, until we have made a kid ready for you, vs. 16-21.

“The **angel** of the Lord said to Manoah, Though thou detain me, I will not eat of thy bread: and if you will offer a burnt offering, you must offer it unto the Lord. For Manoah knew not that he was an **angel** of the Lord.

“Manoah said to the **angel** of the Lord, What is your name, that when your sayings come to pass we may do you honor?

“The **angel** of the Lord said to him, Why ask you after my name, seeing it is secret? (my margin says ‘wonderful’).

“So Manoah took a kid with a meat offering, and offered it upon a rock to the Lord; and the **angel** did a wonderful thing; and Manoah and his wife looked on.

“For it came to pass, when the flame went up toward heaven from off the altar, that the **angel** of the Lord ascended in the flame of the altar. And Manoah and his wife looked on it, and fell on their faces to the ground.

“But the **angel** of the Lord did no more appear to Manoah and to his wife. Then Manoah knew that he was an **angel** of the Lord.”

All of that angelic activity and conversation over the birth of one son must have a lot of truth in it. I can’t conceive how totally personal God is.

David: 2 Sa. 24:16-17; 1 Chr. 21 (same story)

In these stories David had sinned by numbering the people, so judgment was executed by an **angel**.

“And when the **angel** stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the Lord repented him of the evil, and said to the **angel** that

destroyed the people. It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the **angel** of the Lord was by the threshing place of Araunah the Jebusite.

“And David spoke to the Lord when he saw the **angel** that smote the people, and said, Lo, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done? Let thine hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father’s house.”

Side Thought:

There are verses that say “David was like an angel,” or compared him to an angel. I think he is the only one referred to that way. Four of them are:

“Achish said to David, I know that thou art good in my sight, as an **angel** of God” (1 Sa. 29:9).

“Then thine handmaid said, The word of my lord the king (David) shall now be comfortable (for rest): for as an **angel** of God, so is my lord the king to discern good and bad: therefore the Lord thy God will be with thee” (2 Sa. 14:17).

The handmaid went on talking to David:

“Thy servant Joab has done this thing: and my lord is wise, according to the wisdom of an **angel** of God, to know all things that are in the earth” (2 Sa. 14:20).

Mephibosheth talks to David:

“But my lord the king is as an **angel** of God” (2 Sa. 19:27).

Elijah (4 times) 1 Ki. 19:5-7; 2 Ki. 1:3, 15

Elijah was exhausted and sat down under a juniper tree, and requested that he might die, and for the Lord to take his life.

“And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an **angel** touched him, and said to him, Arise and eat.

“And he looked, and, behold, there was a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again.

“And the **angel** of the Lord came again the **second** time, and touched him, and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee” (1 Ki. 19:5-7).

“But the **angel** of the Lord said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise, go up to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria,” and gave him the message (2 Ki. 1:3-).

“And the **angel** of the Lord said to Elijah, Go down with the king of Moab’s servant, and be not afraid of him” (2 Ki. 1:15).

Elisha and servant: 2 Ki. 6:16-17

The king of Syria was warring against Israel with “horses, and chariots, and a great host.” They came by night and compassed the city about. When Elisha’s servant saw them all, he said, Elisha, what shall we do?

“And Elisha prayed, and said, Lord, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the Lord opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of **horses and chariots of fire** round about Elisha” (2 Ki. 6:17).

Three Hebrew Children, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: Dan. 3:21-28

They were cast into a fiery furnace. Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished and said to his counselors, Didn’t we cast three men bound into the fire? Now I see four men loose, walking in the midst of the fire and they’re not hurt, and the form of the fourth is like a son of the gods.

He called them to come out of the fire, and everyone could see that the fire had not hurt them and they didn’t even have the smell of fire.
Nebuchadnezzar said:

“Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who has sent his **angel**, and delivered his servants that trusted in him..”

The king then made a decree that any person or nation or language that speaks anything amiss against the God of the three Hebrew children would

be cut to pieces, “because there is no other God that can deliver after this sort.”

Daniel: (5 times at least) 6:22; 8:16; 9:21; 10:3-8; 10:10-13; 12:5-7
Daniel was cast into the lion’s den by king Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon. The king commanded his men to cast him into the den of lions, then said something odd: “Thy God whom thou servest continually, he will deliver thee.” Then the king went to his palace and passed the night fasting and couldn’t sleep. Very early he hasted to the den of lions, and cried to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living God, is thy God, whom thou serve continually, able to deliver you from the lions?”

“Then said Daniel to the king, O king, live for ever.

“My God hath sent his **angel**, and hath shut the lions’ mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt” (Daniel 6:21-22).

Daniel had a dream and visions of his head, then he “wrote the dream.” He later saw a “thousand thousands **angels** ministering unto the Ancient of days, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him.” Lots of angels around the throne.

Daniel was having another vision, and he heard a man’s voice calling to Gabriel (**angel**) to make this man (Daniel) to understand the vision he was having. Gabriel came near to Daniel, Daniel was afraid and fell upon his face. Then Gabriel told him many things, and Daniel fainted and was sick for days (Daniel 8:16-).

Daniel was praying and confessing his sin and the sin of his people Israel, and presenting his supplication.

“Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man **Gabriel**, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation” (Daniel 9:21).

Another time Daniel was mourning and fasting for three weeks, and:

“He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold a **certain man** clothed in linen, whose loins were girded with fine gold of Uphaz.

“His body also was like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as lamps of fire, and his arms and his feet like in color to polished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude.

“And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men that were with me saw not the vision; but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves.

“I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: and I grew weak and faint....” (Daniel 10:3-8).

Then Daniel was in a deep sleep on his face, and:

“Behold, an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands.

“And he said to me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee and stand upright, for unto you am I now sent. Daniel stood trembling.

“Then said he to me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that thou didst set thine heart to understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God, thy words were heard, and I am come for thy words.

“But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days; but, lo, **Michael**, one of the chief princes, came to help me (Daniel 10:10-13).

In 10:18, it appears another appearance:

“Then there came **again** and touched me one like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me.” (And then talked to him.)

In 12:5-7:

“Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood **other two**, the one on this side of the bank of the river and the other on that side of the bank of the river. And one said to the **man clothed in linen**, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders? And I heard the **man clothed in linen**, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven...”

These chapters in Daniel are filled with heavenly visions, visitations, serious words of angels; and it seems like Daniel was fainting and weak sometimes from these heavenly visitations. Some of the visitations were messages about the invasion and tyranny of the Romans, and God’s judgment for spiritual whoredom.

Zechariah (7): 1:8-19; 2:3; 3:1-6; 4:1-5; 5:5-10; 6:4-5; 12:8

Zechariah and an **angel** had a conversation about God’s promises to Israel (Zechariah 1:8-21). Word **angel** said 6 times in this first chapter.

“Zechariah lifted up mine eyes and looked, and behold, a **man** with a measuring line in his hand.

“Then said I, Whither goes thou? And he said unto me, To measure Jerusalem, to see what is the breadth thereof, and what is the length thereof.

“And, behold, the **angel** that talked with me went forth, and **another angel** went out to meet him,

“And said unto him, Run, speak to this young man, saying, Jerusalem shall be inhabited as towns without walls for the multitude of men and cattle therein:

“For I, saith the Lord, will be unto her a wall of fire round about, and will be the glory in the midst of her” (2:1-5).

Another appearance: 3:1-6

“Then [the **guiding angel**] showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the **angel** of the Lord, and satan standing at his right hand to resist him.

“Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the **angel**.

“And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.

“And I (Zechariah) said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre (clean turban) upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And the **angel** of the Lord stood by.

“And the **angel** of the Lord protested and affirmed to Joshua, saying..”

Another appearance: 4:4-5

“And the **angel** that talked with me came again, and waked me, as a man that is wakened out of his sleep.”

“So I answered and spake to the **angel** that talked with me, saying, What are these, my lord?

“Then the **angel** that talked with me answered and said to me...”

Then the famous verse where the **angel** said:

“This is the word of the Lord unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts” (vs. 4:6).

Zechariah then lifted up his eyes and saw a flying roll. The **angel** started talking to him about it and calls it a curse that is going over the face of the whole earth (5:1-4).

“Then the **angel** that talked with me went forth, and said, Lift up thine eyes, and see what is this that goes forth (5:5).

The conversation continues, and the **angel** talked with Zechariah about an ephah. Zechariah asked the **angel** that talked with him, who are these that bear the ephah? And the **angel** answered him (5:5-11).

In chapter 6 four chariots appeared, and Zechariah asked the **angel** that talked with him what the chariots were? The **angel** answered and said “These are the four spirits of the heavens, which go forth from standing before the Lord of all the earth” (6:4-5).

An interesting verse, 12:8:

“In that day shall the Lord guard and defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he who is [spiritually] feeble and stumbles among them in that day [of persecution] shall become [strong and noble] like David: and the house of David [shall maintain its supremacy] like God, like the **Angel** of the Lord Who is before them.”

A N G E L S

New Testament

Joseph (3): Matthew 1:20; 2:13, 19

An **angel** of the Lord appeared in a **dream** and explained to Joseph why Mary was pregnant before they were married (Mt. 1:20).

After Jesus' birth, Mary & Joseph were warned by God in a **dream** not to return to Herod and so departed into their own country another way (2:12). When they left, the **angel** of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a **dream**, and said, flee to Egypt and stay until I bring you word, for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him (Mt. 2:13).

When Herod died, an **angel** of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a **dream**, and said, Leave Egypt and go into the land of Israel. They ended up in Nazareth (Mt. 2:19-20).

Mary Magdalene, Mary, mother of James: Matt. 28:2-8

They came to see the sepulcher where they laid Jesus:

“And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the **angel** of the Lord **descended from heaven**, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

“His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow:

“And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.

“And the **angel** answered and said to the women, Fear not ye: for I know that you seek Jesus, which was crucified.

“He is not here: for he is risen, as he said, Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

“And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goes before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him; lo, I have told you.

“And they departed quickly from the sepulcher with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word” (Mt. 18:2-8).

Mark 16:1-8 adds “Salome” to the women. Very early they came to anoint Jesus with spices and saw the stone was rolled away. They went into the sepulcher and saw a “young man sitting clothed in a long white garment.” He said to the women, “He is risen. Go tell Peter and the disciples He’s in Galilee.”

Luke’s account adds “Joanna” with the women, and that “two men (**angels**) stood by them in shining garments.” They said to the women, “Why seek ye the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen.” The women then went and told these things to the eleven and to the rest (Lk. 24:1-10).

John’s account: Mary Magdalene saw that the stone was rolled away. She ran and told Simon Peter and John that they had taken Jesus out of the sepulcher and she didn’t know where they laid him. The disciples checked it out, and then left for their homes.

But Mary stayed and wept, looked into sepulcher and saw two **angels** in white, one sitting at the head, and one at the feet of where Jesus lay. They talked to her and as she wept she saw Jesus, but she thought he was a gardener, until Jesus told her it was Him. Then she went and told the disciples. (Note the women stayed; the men had gone home.)

Zecharias: Luke 1:11-22

The **angel** Gabriel appeared to Zecharias, a priest in the temple, and started a conversation, telling him that Elizabeth was going to have a child, and to call his name “John.” Gabriel said, “I stand in the presence of God.”

Zecharias disagreed with the name “John” so the angel shut Zecharias’s mouth and he was unable to speak until after the birth.

Mary: Luke 1:26-38

The **angel** Gabriel came to Mary to tell her she was going to become pregnant with Jesus, and told her about her cousin Elizabeth becoming pregnant.

Jesus (2): Matthew 4:11; Luke 22:43

After the devil tempted Jesus three times to sin and Jesus refused, the devil left him, and, “behold, **angels** came and ministered unto him.” (Mt. 4:11) When Jesus was suffering in the garden of Gethsemane and asked God, if possible, to take the cup from him, there “appeared an **angel** to him from heaven, strengthening him” (Lk. 22:43).

Miscellaneous: There was a pool in Bethesda where they laid all the sick people: “For an **angel** went down at appointed seasons into the pool and moved and stirred up the water; whoever went in first after the stirring was cured of their disease” (John 5:1-9).

Disciples: Acts 1:10-11

Jesus told the disciples to wait for the promise of the Father, the baptism of the Holy Spirit and power. After He told them, He was taken up to heaven, While the disciples were looking at this ascension “**two men (angels)** stood by them in white apparel.” They talked to the disciples and said, “This same Jesus, Who was caught away and lifted up from among you into heaven, will return in just the same way in which you saw Him go into heaven.”

Peter and John: Acts 5:19

They were in prison, but at night the **angel** of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them forth. He didn’t tell them to rest the next day after their ordeal, but told them to go “to the temple early in the morning and speak to the people **all the words of this life.**”

Peter: Acts 12:7-11

Peter was in jail again and “behold, the **angel** of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands.”

After he was out he went to Rhoda’s house and they couldn’t believe it was him, and said “It is his **angel**.”

Cornelius: Acts 10:3-

Cornelius was a “devout man and one that feared God with all his house, gave alms and prayed to God always.”

“He saw in a **vision** evidently about the ninth hour of the day an **angel** of God coming in to him, and saying...”

The **angel** gave Cornelius a message to take to Peter, which he did.

Philip: Philip and the Eunuch, Acts 8:26-40 (good story)

“An **angel** of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, Arise and go toward the south to Gaza.” The Lord sent Philip there to minister to one man who didn’t understand about Christ’s salvation. After Philip explained it to him out of the book of Isaiah, the eunuch wanted to be baptized in water. When they came out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away to where he came from.

Herod: Acts 12:23

King Herod was arrayed in royal apparel, sat on his throne, and made a speech. The people shouted, “It is the voice of a god, and not of a man.” Immediately the **angel** of the Lord smote him, because he gave not God the glory. He was eaten of worms and gave up the ghost.

Paul: Acts 27:21-24

Paul was in a ship that sank, and told the passengers, “Be of good cheer...for there stood by me this night the **angel** of God, whose I am, and whom I serve, saying Fear not.”

1 Corinthians 13:1, “Though I speak with the tongues of men and of **angels**.”

Revelation: “Angel” mentioned 50 times; “Angels” 23 times; and “Angel’s” 2 times.

"Angel":

“The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his **angel** to his servant John” (Rev. 1:1).

“Unto the **angel** of the church of Ephesus write...” (2:1)

“Unto the **angel** of the church in Smyrna...” (2:8)

“Unto the **angel** of the church in Pergamos write...” (2:12)

“Unto the **angel** of the church in Thyatira write...” (2:18)

“Unto the **angel** of the church in Sardis write...” (3:1)

“Unto the **angel** of the church in Philadelphia write...” (3:7)

“Unto the **angel** of the church of the Laodiceans write...” (3:14)

“And I saw a **strong angel** proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?” (5:2).

“And I saw another **angel** ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the **four angels**, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea” (7:2).

“And another **angel** came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne” (8:3).

“And the **angel** took the censer and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast it into the earth...” (8:5).

“And the **seven angels** which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound” (8:6).

“The first **angel** sounded and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth...(8:7).

“The second **angel** sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea...” (8:8).

“And the third **angel** sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp...” (8:10).

“And the fourth **angel** sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten...” (8:12).

“And I beheld, and heard an **angel** flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the **three angels**, which are yet to sound!” (8:13).

“And the fifth **angel** sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven, and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit” (9:1).

“And they had a king over them, which is the **angel of the bottomless pit**..in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon” (9:11).

“And the sixth **angel** sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God” (9:13).

“Saying to the sixth **angel** which had the trumpet, Loose the four **angels** which are bound in the great river Euphrates” (9:14).

“And I saw another **mighty angel** came down from heaven, clothed with a cloud; and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire” (10:1).

“And the **angel** which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven” (10:5).

“But in the days of the voice of the **seventh angel**, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets” (10:7).

“Take the little book which is open in the hand of the **angel**...” (10:8).

“And I went into the **angel**, and said, Give me the little book...and I took the little book out of the **angel’s** hand, and ate it up...(10: 9, 10).

“And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the **angel** stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein” (11:1).

“And the seventh **angel** sounded and there were great voices in heaven, saying...” (11:15).

“And I saw another **angel** fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to them that dwell on earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people” (14:6).

“And there followed another **angel**, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city...” (14:8).

“And the third **angel** followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead or in his hand” (14:9).

“And another **angel** came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud...” (14:15).

“And another **angel** came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry...” (14:18).

“And another **angel** thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God” (14:19).

“And the second **angel** poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man: and every living soul died in the sea” (16:3).

“And the third **angel** poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood” (16:4).

“And I heard the **angel** of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus” (16:5).

“And the fourth **angel** poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire” (16:8).

“And the fifth **angel** poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain” (16:10).

“And the sixth **angel** poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared” (16:13).

“And the seventh **angel** poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven..” (16:17).

“And the **angel** said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns” (17:7).

“And after these things I saw another **angel** came down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory” (18:1).

“And a mighty **angel** took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all” (18:21).

“And I saw an **angel** come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand” (20:1).

“And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred and forty and four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of the **angel**” (21:17).

“And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his **angel** to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done” (22:6).

“And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the **angel** which shewed me these things” (22:8).

“I Jesus have sent mine **angel** to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star” (22:16).

"Angels":

“The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the **angels** of the seven churches...” (1:20).

“He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his **angels**” (3:5).

“And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many **angels** round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousands of thousands” (5:11).

“And after these things I saw four **angels** standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree” (7:1).

“And I saw another **angel** ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the **four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea**” (7:2).

“And all the **angels** stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, saying...” (7:11).

“And I saw the seven **angels** which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets” (8:2).

“And the seven **angels** which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound” (8:6).

“And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three **angels**, which are yet to sound!” (8:13).

“Saying to the sixth **angel** which had the trumpet, Loose the four **angels** which are bound in the great river Euphrates. And the four **angels** were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men” (9:14-15).

“And there was war in heaven: Michael and his **angels** fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his **angels**” (12:7).

“And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his **angels** were cast out with him” (12:9).

“The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy **angels**, and in the presence of the Lamb” (14:10).

“And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous, seven **angels** having the seven last plagues, for in them is filled up the wrath of God” (15:1).

“And the seven **angels** came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen...” (15:6).

“And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven **angels** seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever” (15:7).

“And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven **angels** were fulfilled” (15:8).

“And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven **angels**, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth” (16:1).

“And there came one of the seven **angels** which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying, Come hither; I will show to you the judgment of the great whore that sits upon many waters” (17:1)

“And there came to me one of the seven **angels** which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will shew thee the bride, the Lamb’s wife” (21:9).

“And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve **angels**, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel” (21:12).

Consider “**Angels**” in the four gospels (just a few listed here):

“The Son of man shall send forth his **angels**, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth” (Matthew 13:41-42).

He travels with His angels: “For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his **angels**; and then he shall reward every man according to his works” (16:27).

“Take heed that you despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their **angels** do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven” (18:10).

“When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy **angels** with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory” (25:31).

Little Warning: Be careful you don’t offend people, especially young believers, because their angels have a God-given duty to protect and guard them. So you not only have offended a person but a mighty angel. I do not want angels against me (Mark 9:42). If I offend my husband and he offends me over a situation (oh yes, it happens to spiritual people), then we are getting in trouble with each other’s angels.

One time during a “situation,” God said to ask Him to remove the “counterholds” that these angels had on one another. (Interesting spiritual world out there.)

Ministering people often see angels. In the book *Angels in Our Lives* by Marie Chapan:

“When the Lord enters a church service, you’ll usually see Him accompanied by angels. I’ve seen the Lord sitting out front in the pew when I’ve been speaking, and then after the service someone will tell me, “I saw these enormously tall angels behind you as you were ministering.” They saw the angels clearly because they were huge and on the platform with me.

“I believe angels are hovering over you now and they have a message for you this minute. The message is: “Be patient just a little while longer. It won’t be long now. Be patient, beloved.”

Nancy has authored:

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