

# Angels

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- This Study started with Psm 91:11
- Where do we find angels in scripture
  - 213 mentions in OT
    - Most common(100) is as “**human messenger**”
    - Satan or demons are not referred to as angels in OT
  - 176 mentions in NT
    - Most common use is as “**messenger**”
- Where did they come from?
  - Created beings...Neh 9:6, Col 1:16
  - Both good and bad angels, 2/3 are holy, 1/3 followed satan Rev 12:4
  - Scriptures says there are innumerable...far exceeds ten thousands times ten thousands...100,000,000 Rev 5:11

# Characteristics of Angels

- Personhood Traits
  - Wise.....2 Sam 14:20
  - Can Converse.....Matt 28:5
  - Sing.....Job 38:7
  - Worship....Heb 1:6
  - Joyful over sinner repents....Luke 15:10
  - Fear God in worship.....Heb 1:6
  - Possess a will in worship....Rev 5:11-12
  - Desire to understand things related to salvation...1 Peter 1:12

# Personal Qualities of Angels

- Created by God and called “sons of God”...Job 1:6
- Spirit Beings.....Job 1:6, 2:1
- Morally pure and remain, Called Holy Angels...Mark 8:38
- Not bound by physical space....John 1:51
- Can be visible or invisible...Gen 18:2 and Heb 13:2,
- Without gender and don't reproduce...Matt 22:30
- Speak in language of hearer...1 Cor 13:1
- Ageless and immortal..Luke 20:36
- Messengers of God's truth...Rev 1:1 and Rev 2&3
- Powerful
  - Caused blindness, rescued people, destroyed cities, destroyed armies
  - One angel killed 185,000 Assyrian soldiers...2 Kings 19:35

# Names of Angels

- Archangel
  - Michael referenced in Dan 10:13, probably more than one.
  - Voice at the rapture of Church 1 Thes 4:16
- Cherubim
  - Guardian, ie the Garden of Eden, Mercy Seat, Living Creatures
- Elohim
  - In basic sense of “superior ones”, Psm 8:5
- Gabriel....mighty one of God,
  - Daniel and Luke Dan 8:16, 9;12; Luke 1:19,26
- Holy Ones, Job 5:1, Psm 89:5,7
- Hosts... Deut 4:19, Luke 2:13
- Living Creatures...Rev 4:6
- Ministering Spirits...Psm 103:21, Heb 1:14
- Stars of Heaven....Rev 12:4
- Seraphim...burning ones, Isa 6 only
- Sons of God...Job 1:6

# Holy Angels Ministry

- Worship and praise God...Rev 4:6-11 The Lord Jesus...Heb 1:6
- Ministered to Christ during His earthly Ministry
  - Birth...Gabriel to Zechariah, Mary and angel to Joseph...Luke 1 and Matt 1
  - At His temptation ....Matt 4
  - In the Garden before the cross...Luke 22
  - In the resurrection....Luke 24
  - At His ascension...Acts 1
- Ministering to Believers
  - Rejoicing at their salvation Luke 15:10
  - Providing Protection Psm 91:11-12, 34:7, Matt 18:10
  - Take to Paradise....Luke 16:22
  - In the Church
    - Observing...1 Cor 11:10
    - Working for... Rev 1:20
    - Judging rightly in presence 1 Tim 5:21
    - Understanding God's salvation plan 1 Pet 1:12
    - Will be active in the Rapture of the Church 1 Thess 4:16
- Will accompany the Lord Jesus at His second advent
  - Separate wheat from chaff...Matt 13:27-30

# Things to Ponder about Angels

- Holy Angels
  - Carry out God's purposes throughout the world
  - For Believers...Psm 91:11
    - For He will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.
    - How many times have we been preserved in our lives because of an angel?
    - Do angels carry believers to paradise? Luke 16:22
    - Will we meet the angel that watched over us?
- Satan and Demons – Bad angels
  - Adversary and Devil (Slanderer), Liar, murderer
  - Accuser of brethren
  - Hell was made for Satan and his demons