## **A Little About Angels**

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Since it was angels who orchestrated events in the story of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem over 2000 years ago, we thought this would be a good time to look at some interesting angel facts.

Angels are fascinating finite spirit (Grk= pneumata) beings that are mentioned about 300 times in the Bible.

Jesus created everything, so He obviously thought up, designed and created angels.

John 1:3 All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being.

Col. 1:16 For **by Him all things were created,** both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities - all things have been created through Him and for Him.

Psalm 148:5 Let them praise the name of the LORD, for He commanded and they [all His angels] were created.

(See also Mat 8:16, Lk 7:21, 8:2, 11:26, Acts 19:12, Eph 6:12)

Both the words "angel" in the Hebrew, mal'ak, and in the Greek, angelos, mean "messenger." But angels are also frequently used in the capacity of "guardians." Here are some interesting facts:

Angels do not die.

Luke 20:36

#### Angels are fixed in number.

Matthew 22:30

#### Angels can be male or female.

Women angels in Zech 5:9

#### Some angels have wings.

Ex 25:20, 1Chron 28:18, 2 Chron 3:11,13; 1Kgs 6:27, 8:6,7; Is 6:2; Ezek 10:8,12,19,21; 11:22; Zech 5:9, Rev 4:8

## **Angels were created before the world was created.** Job 38:4-7

**Angels were originally created all good.** Gen 1:31

>Today some angels are still good. Eph 3:10, Mark 8:38, 1 Tim 5:21



>Today some angels are bad. (Referred to as "Demons") Eph 6:12, Jude 6, Mat 25:41, Luke 8:31

## >And some angels are really bad.

2 Pet 2:4, Matt 8:28-28, Rev 12:49

## Angels have rank and order.

Dan 10:13, 21; 12:1; Luke 1:19, Rev 8:2

## Some angels have specific assignments.

Power over fire. Rev 14:18
Angel of the waters. Rev 16:5
Angel of the abyss. Rev 9:11
Angel who binds Satan. Rev 20:1-2
Separate righteous from the wicked. Mt 13:39
Michael "shouts" at the Rapture. 1 Thes 4:16

#### Michael is the Arch-angel.

Jude 9

#### Gabriel was a messenger.

Daniel- Dan 10:12, Zacharias- Lk 1:13, Mary- Matt 1:20

#### Lucifer was a cherub.

Ezek 28:14

#### Lucifer was created sinless.

Is 14:15

#### Lucifer was a musician.

Is. 14:11

# Lucifer's beauty and splendor corrupted him.

Ezek 28:17

#### Lucifer wanted to be God.

Is 14:13, 14

## Angels help God's servants.

Acts 5:19, 12:5-11, 8:26, 10:1-7, 27:23-25,

## Angels are protectors.

Psa. 91:11, Heb. 1:14

## God uses angels to help believers.

Heb 1:14, Gen 24:7, Acts 12:15, Ps 34:7, 91:9-16

## God uses angels to protect children.

Matt 18:10

## Angels have intelligence and can reason.

"I will make myself like the Most High." -Satan Mat 8:29, 2Cor. 11:3, 1Pet. 1:12

#### Angels know more about God than humans.

James 2:19, Rev 12:12

#### Angels have emotions.

Luke 15:10, James 2:19, Rev 12:17

#### Angels have will.

Luke 8:28-31, 2 Timothy 2:26 and Rev 12:17.

#### **Angels observe Christians.**

1 Cor 4:9, 1 Cor 11:10, Eph 3:10, 1 Pet 1:12

## Angels can appear as humans.

Heb 13:2

## Angels can bring answers to prayers.

Dan. 10:12, Acts 12:5-10

## Angels have accountability before God.

Job 1:6

# Angels are limited in power, knowledge and activity.

1 Pet. 1:12

## Angels are a separate order of creatures.

Heb. 1:13-14

#### Angels will be judged by Believers.

1Cor. 6:3

Prior to the cross, angels ushered Believers to the next life.



Luke 16:22. However, today in the Church Age, when a Believer's life is over you go directly to be with the Lord. 2 Cor 5:8

#### Each country has a head demon assigned.

Eph. 6:12, Dan. 10:13, 20

#### Each local church has an angel assigned.

Rev. 2:1, 8; 2:12

## Angels' primary ministry is to worship and praise God.

Ps 148:1-2, Is 6:3, Heb 1:6, Rev 5:8-13, 38:6-7, 103:20, Rev 22:9, Job 1:6, 2:1, Rev 7:1

#### **Key passages about Satan:**

Is. 14:3-27, Ezek. 28:11-19, Rev. 12:7-9, Rev. 17:8, Rev. 9:2

We are all born with Satan (the angel Lucifer) as our spiritual father.
John 8:44

Therefore we must all be "born again" to go to heaven.

John 3:1-7

<sup>3</sup>"Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." NASB

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