

~ANGEL (1039)

[Hebrew, *mal-´akh'* and Greek, *ag'ge-los*, messenger]

- Order And Rank
- Personality
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- Support Of Christ And Followers

- Both the Hebrew *mal-´akh'* and the Greek *ag'ge-los* literally mean messenger. From the first book of the Bible to the last, these words occur nearly 400 times. When spirit messengers are indicated, the words are translated **angels**, but if the reference definitely is to human creatures, the rendering is messengers.
- Later Yehowah's angel found her at a fountain of waters in the wilderness, at the fountain on the way to Shur. (**Genesis 16:7**)
- Then Jacob sent **messengers** ahead of him to Esau his brother to the land of Seir, the field of Edom. (**Genesis 32:3**)
- In the same manner was not also Rahab the harlot declared righteous by works, after she had received the **messengers** hospitably and sent them out by another way? (**James 2:25**)
- Well, I John was the one hearing and seeing these things. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the **angel** that had been showing me these things. (**Revelation 22:8**)
- However, in the highly symbolic book of Revelation certain references to **angels** may apply to human creatures.
- To the **angel** of the congregation in Ephesus write. These are the things that he says who holds the seven stars in his right hand, he who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands. (**Revelation 2:1**)
- And to the **angel** of the congregation in Smyrna write. These are the things that he says, the First and the Last, who became dead and came to life again. (**Revelation 2:8**)
- And to the **angel** of the congregation in Pergamum write. These are the things that he says who has the sharp, long two-edged

sword. ([Revelation 2:12](#))

- And to the **angel** of the congregation in Thyatira write. These are the things that the Son of God says, he who has his eyes like a fiery flame, and his feet are like fine copper. ([Revelation 2:18](#))
- And to the **angel** of the congregation in Sardis write. These are the things that he says who has the seven spirits of God and the seven stars, I know your deeds, that you have the name that you are alive, but you are dead. ([Revelation 3:1](#))
- And to the **angel** of the congregation in Philadelphia write. These are the things he says who is holy, who is true, who has the key of David, who opens so that no one will shut, and shuts so that no one opens. ([Revelation 3:7](#))
- And to the **angel** of the congregation in Laodicea write. These are the things that the Amen says, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation by God. ([Revelation 3:14](#))

See Also MESSENGER

- **Angels** are sometimes termed spirits, that which is spirit is invisible and powerful. Thus we read.
- Finally a **spirit** came out and stood before Yehowah and said; I myself shall fool him. At that Yehowah said to him, By what means? ([1 Kings 22:21](#))
- Are they not all **spirits** for public service, sent forth to minister for those who are going to inherit salvation? ([Hebrews 1:14](#))
- Having invisible spiritual bodies, they make their abode in the heavens.
- For when they rise from the dead, neither do men marry nor are women given in marriage, but are as **angels** in the heavens. ([Mark 12:25](#))
- It is sown a physical body, it is raised up a **spiritual body**. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual one. ([1 Corinthians 15:44](#))
- However, this I say brothers; That flesh and blood cannot inherit

God's kingdom, neither does corruption inherit incorruption. (1 Corinthians 15:50)

- They are also termed **sons of the true God, morning stars, and holy myriads, or holy ones.**
- Now it came to be the day when the **sons of the true God** entered to take their station before Yehowah, and even Satan proceeded to enter right among them. (Job 1:6)
- Afterward it came to be the day when the **sons of the true God** entered to take their station before Yehowah, and Satan also proceeded to enter right among them to take his station before Yehowah. (Job 2:1)
- When the **morning stars** joyfully cried out together, and all the sons of God began shouting in applause? (Job 38:7)
- And he proceeded to say Yehowah, from Sinai he came and he flashed forth from Seir upon them. He beamed forth from the mountainous region of Paran, and with him were **holy myriads**, at his right hand warriors belonging to them. (Deuteronomy 33:2)
- Not being creatures that marry and reproduce their own kind, the **angels** were individually created by Yehowah through his firstborn Son, the beginning of the creation by God.
- For in the resurrection neither do men marry nor are women given in marriage, but are as **angels** in heaven. (Matthew 22:30)
- And to the **angel** of the congregation in Laodicea write. These are the things that the Amen says, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation by God. (Revelation 3:14)
- By means of him, this firstborn Son, the Word, all other things were created in the heavens, **the things invisible**. Also, he is before all other things and by means of him all other things were made to exist.
- He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. (Colossians 1:15)
- **Because by means of him all other things were created in the heavens** and upon the earth, the things visible and the things invisible, no matter whether they are thrones or lordships or

- governments or authorities. All other things have been created through him and for him. (**Colossians 1:16**)
- Also, he is before all other things and by means of him all other things were made to exist. (**Colossians 1:17**)
 - In the beginning the Word was, and the Word was with God, and the Word was a god. (**John 1:1**)
 - This one was in the beginning with God. (**John 1:2**)
 - All things came into existence through him, and apart from him not even one thing came into existence. What has come into existence. (**John 1:3**)
 - The **angels** were created long before man's appearance, for at the founding of the earth **the morning stars** joyfully cried out together, and all the sons of God began shouting in applause.
 - Where did you happen to be when I founded the earth? Tell me, if you do know understanding. (**Job 38:4**)
 - Who set its measurements, in case you know, or who stretched out upon it the measuring line? (**Job 38:5**)
 - Into what have its socket pedestals been sunk down, or who laid its cornerstone. (**Job 38:6**)
 - When the **morning stars** joyfully cried out together, and all the sons of God began shouting in applause? (**Job 38:7**)
 - As for the number of the **angelic** hosts of heaven, Daniel said he saw **a thousand thousands that kept ministering to God**, and ten thousand times ten thousand that kept standing right before him.
 - There was a stream of fire flowing and going out from before him. There were a thousand thousands that kept ministering to him, **and ten thousand times ten thousand that kept standing right before him**. The Court took its seat, and there were books that were opened. (**Daniel 7:10**)
 - But you have approached a Mount Zion and a city of the living God, heavenly Jerusalem, and myriads of **angels**. (**Hebrews 12:22**)

· Order And Rank

- As with the visible creation, so also in the invisible realm there is **order and rank** among the **angels**. The foremost **angel**, both in power and authority, is Michael, the **archangel**.
- But the prince of the royal realm of Persia was standing in opposition to me for twenty-one days, and, look! Michael, one of the **foremost princes**, came to help me, and I, for my part, remained there beside the kings of Persia. (**Daniel 10:13**)
- However, I shall tell you the things noted down in the writing of truth, and there is no one holding strongly with me in these things but Michael, the prince of you people. (**Daniel 10:21**)
- And during that time Michael will stand up, the great prince who is standing in behalf of the sons of your people. And there will certainly occur a time of distress such as has not been made to occur since there came to be a nation until that time. And during that time your people will escape, every one who is found written down in the book. (**Daniel 12:1**)
- And war broke out in heaven. Michael and his **angels** battled with the dragon, and the dragon and its angels battled (**Revelation 12:7**)
- Because of his preeminence and his being called the great prince who is standing in behalf of the sons of God's people, he is presumed to be the **angel** that led Israel through the wilderness.
- Here I am sending an **angel** ahead of you to keep you on the road and to bring you into the place that I have prepared. (**Exodus 23:20**)
- Watch yourself because of him and obey his voice. Do not behave rebelliously against him, for he will not pardon your transgression, because my name is within him. (**Exodus 23:21**)
- However, if you strictly obey his voice and really do all that I shall speak, then I shall certainly be hostile to your enemies and harass those who harass you. (**Exodus 23:22**)
- For my **angel** will go ahead of you and will indeed bring you to

the Amorites and the Hittites and the Perizzites and the Canaanites, the Hivites and the Jebusites, and I shall certainly efface them. ([Exodus 23:23](#))

- Ranking very high among the **angels** in privileges and honor are the **seraphs**.
- **Seraphs** were standing above him. Each one had six wings. With two he kept his face covered, and with two he kept his feet covered, and with two he would fly about. ([Isaiah 6:2](#))
- At that, one of the **seraphs** flew to me, and in his hand there was a glowing coal that he had taken with tongs off the altar. ([Isaiah 6:6](#))
- More frequently, actually some 90 times, the Scriptures mention the **cherubs**, and from the description of their duties and responsibilities it is apparent that they, too, hold a special position among the **angels**.
- And so he drove the man out and posted at the east of the garden of Eden the **cherubs** and the flaming blade of a sword that was turning itself continually to guard the way to the tree of life. ([Genesis 3:24](#))
- And I continued to see, and, look! Upon the expanse that was over the head of the **cherubs** there was something like sapphire stone, like the appearance of the likeness of a throne, appearing above them. ([Ezekiel 10:1](#))
- And he proceeded to say to the man clothed with the linen, even to say; Enter in between the wheelwork, in under the **cherubs**, and fill the hollows of both your hands with coals of fire from between the **cherubs** and toss them over the city. So he entered in before my eyes. ([Ezekiel 10:2](#))
- And the **cherubs** were standing to the right of the house when the man entered, and the cloud was filling the inner courtyard. ([Ezekiel 10:3](#))
- And the glory of Yehowah proceeded to rise up from the **cherubs** to the threshold of the house, and the house gradually became filled with the cloud, and the courtyard itself was full of the brightness of the glory of Yehowah. ([Ezekiel 10:4](#))

- **And the very sound of the wings of the **cherubs** made itself heard to the outer courtyard, like the sound of God Almighty when he speaks. (Ezekiel 10:5)**
- **And it came about, when he commanded the man clothed with the linen, saying; Take fire from between the wheelwork, from between the **cherubs**, that he proceeded to enter and stand beside the wheel. (Ezekiel 10:6)**
- **Then the **cherub** thrust his hand out from between the cherubs to the fire that was between the **cherubs** and carried and put it into the hollows of the hands of the one clothed with the linen, who now took it and went out. (Ezekiel 10:7)**
- **And there was seen belonging to the **cherubs** the representation of a hand of earthling man under their wings. (Ezekiel 10:8)**
- **And I continued to see, and, look! There were four wheels beside the **cherubs**, one wheel beside the one cherub and one wheel beside the other **cherub**, and the appearance of the wheels was like the glow of a chrysolite stone. (Ezekiel 10:9)**
- **And as for their appearance, the four of them had one likeness, just as when a wheel proves to be in the midst of a wheel. (Ezekiel 10:10)**
- **When they would go, to their four sides they would go. They would not change direction when they went, because the place to which the head would face, after it they would go. They would not change direction when they went. (Ezekiel 10:11)**
- **And all their flesh and their backs and their hands and their wings and the wheels were full of eyes all around. The four of them had their wheels. (Ezekiel 10:12)**
- **As regards the wheels, to them it was called out in my ears, O wheelwork! (Ezekiel 10:13)**
- **And each one had four faces. The first face was the face of the **cherub**, and the second face was the face of earthling man, and the third was the face of a lion, and the fourth was the face of an eagle. (Ezekiel 10:14)**

- And the **cherubs** would rise, it was the same living creature that I had seen at the river Chebar. (**Ezekiel 10:15**)
- And when the **cherubs** went, the wheels would go alongside them, and when the cherubs lifted up their wings to be high above the earth, the wheels would not change direction, even they themselves, from alongside them. (**Ezekiel 10:16**)
- When these stood still, they would stand still, and when these rose, they would rise with them, for the **spirit of the living creature** was in them. (**Ezekiel 10:17**)
- And the glory of Yehowah proceeded to go forth from over the threshold of the house and to stand still over the **cherubs**. (**Ezekiel 10:18**)
- And the **cherubs** now lifted up their wings and rose from the earth before my eyes. When they went forth, the wheels also were close alongside them, and they began standing at the eastern entrance of the gate of the house of Yehowah, and the glory of the God of Israel was over them, from above. (**Ezekiel 10:19**)
- This is the living creature that I had seen under the God of Israel at the river Chebar, so that I came to know that they were **cherubs**. (**Ezekiel 10:20**)
- As for the four, each one had four faces and each one had four wings, and the likeness of the hands of earthling man was under their wings. (**Ezekiel 10:21**)
- And as for the likeness of their faces, they were the faces the appearance of which I had seen by the river Chebar, the very ones. They would go each one straight forward. (**Ezekiel 10:22**)
- Then there is the great body of **angelic messengers** who serve as a means of communication between God and man. However, they do more than simply relay messages. As agents and deputies of the Most High God, they serve as responsible executioners of the divine purpose, be it protection and deliverance of God's people or destruction of the wicked.
- Now the two **angels** arrived at Sodom by evening, and Lot was sitting in the gate of Sodom. When Lot caught sight of them,

- then he got up to meet them and bowed down with his face to the earth. (**Genesis 19:1**)
- **And he proceeded to say; Please, now, my lords, turn aside, please, into the house of your servant and stay overnight and have your feet washed. Then you must get up early and travel on your way. To this they said; No, but in the public square is where we shall stay overnight. (**Genesis 19:2**)**
 - **But he was very insistent with them, so that they turned aside to him and came into his house. Then he made a feast for them, and he baked unfermented cakes, and they went to eating. (**Genesis 19:3**)**
 - **Before they could lie down, the men of the city, the men of Sodom, surrounded the house, from boy to old man, all the people in one mob. (**Genesis 19:4**)**
 - **And they kept calling out to Lot and saying to him; Where are the men who came in to you tonight? Bring them out to us that we may have intercourse with them. (**Genesis 19:5**)**
 - **Finally Lot went out to them to the entrance, but he shut the door behind him. (**Genesis 19:6**)**
 - **Then he said; Please, my brothers, do not act badly. (**Genesis 19:7**)**
 - **Please, here I have two daughters who have never had intercourse with a man. Please, let me bring them out to you. Then do to them as is good in your eyes. Only to these men do not do a thing, because that is why they have come under the shadow of my roof. (**Genesis 19:8**)**
 - **At this they said; Stand back there! And they added; This lone man came here to reside as an alien and yet he would actually play the judge. Now we are going to do worse to you than to them. And they came pressing heavily in on the man, on Lot, and were getting near to break in the door. (**Genesis 19:9**)**
 - **So the men thrust out their hands and brought Lot in to them, into the house, and they shut the door. (**Genesis 19:10**)**
 - **But they struck with blindness the men who were at the entrance**

of the house, from the least to the greatest, so that they were wearing themselves out trying to find the entrance. (**Genesis 19:11**)

- Then the men said to Lot; Do you have anyone else here? Son-in-law and your sons and your daughters and all who are yours in the city, bring out of the place! (**Genesis 19:12**)
- For we are bringing this place to ruin, because the outcry against them has grown loud before Yehowah, so that Yehowah sent us to bring the city to ruin. (**Genesis 19:13**)
- Hence Lot went on out and began to speak to his sons-in-law who were to take his daughters, and he kept on saying; Get up! Get out of this place, because Yehowah is bringing the city to ruin! But in the eyes of his sons-in-law he seemed like a man who was joking. (**Genesis 19:14**)
- However, when the dawn ascended, then the **angels** became urgent with Lot, saying; Get up! Take your wife and your two daughters who are found here, for fear you may be swept away in the error of the city! (**Genesis 19:15**)
- When he kept lingering, then in the compassion of Yehowah upon him, the men seized hold of his hand and of the hand of his wife and of the hands of his two daughters and they proceeded to bring him out and to station him outside the city. (**Genesis 19:16**)
- And it came about that, as soon as they had brought them forth to the outskirts, he began to say; Escape for your soul! Do not look behind you and do not stand still in all the District! Escape to the mountainous region for fear you may be swept away! (**Genesis 19:17**)
- Then Lot said to them; Not that, please, Yehowah! (**Genesis 19:18**)
- Please, now, your servant has found favor in your eyes so that you are magnifying your loving-kindness, which you have exercised with me to preserve my soul alive, but I, I am not able to escape to the mountainous region for fear calamity may keep close to me and I certainly die. (**Genesis 19:19**)

- Please, now, this city is nearby to flee there and it is a small thing. May I, please, escape there, is it not a small thing? And my soul will live on. (**Genesis 19:20**)
- So he said to him; Here I do show you consideration to this extent also, by my not overthrowing the city of which you have spoken. (**Genesis 19:21**)
- Hurry! Escape there, because I am not able to do a thing until your arriving there! That is why he called the name of the city Zoar. (**Genesis 19:22**)
- The sun had gone forth over the land when Lot arrived at Zoar. (**Genesis 19:23**)
- Then Yehowah made it rain sulphur and fire from Yehowah, from the heavens, upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah. (**Genesis 19:24**)
- So he went ahead overthrowing these cities, even the entire District and all the inhabitants of the cities and the plants of the ground. (**Genesis 19:25**)
- And his wife began to look around from behind him, and she became a pillar of salt. (**Genesis 19:26**)

See Also ARCHANGEL

See Also MICHAEL 1

See Also SERAPHS

See Also CHERUB 1

·· **Personality**

· Some may deny distinct personality of individual **angels**, claiming they are impersonal forces of energy dispatched to accomplish the will of God, but the Bible teaches otherwise. Individual names imply individuality. The fact that two of their names, **Michael** and **Gabriel**, are given establishes the point sufficiently.

· And during that time **Michael** will stand up, the great prince who is standing in behalf of the sons of your people. And there will certainly occur a time of distress such as has not been made to occur since there came to be a nation until that time. And during that time your people will escape, every one who is found written down in the book. (**Daniel 12:1**)

- In her sixth month the angel **Gabriel** was sent forth from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth. (**Luke 1:26**)
- The lack of more names was a safeguard against giving undue honor and worship to these creatures. **Angels** were dispatched by God as agents to act in his name, not in their own name. Hence, when Jacob asked an **angel** for his name, he refused to give it.
- In turn Jacob inquired and said; Tell me, please, your name. However, he said; Why is it that you inquire for my name? With that he blessed him there. (**Genesis 32:29**)
- The **angel** that approached Joshua, when asked to identify himself, replied only that he was **prince of the army of Yehowah**.
- To this he said; No, but I, **as prince of the army of Yehowah I have now come**. With that Joshua fell on his face to the earth and prostrated himself and said to him; What is my lord saying to his servant? (**Joshua 5:14**)
- When Samson's parents asked an **angel** for his name, he withheld it, saying; **Just why should you ask about my name, when it is a wonderful one?**
- Then Manoah said to Yehowah's **angel**; What is your name, that when your word comes true we shall certainly do you honor? (**Judges 13:17**)
- However, Yehowah's **angel** said to him; **Just why should you ask about my name, when it is a wonderful one?** (**Judges 13:18**)
- The apostle John attempted to worship **angels** and was twice rebuked; **Be careful! Do not do that! Worship God.**
- At that I fell down before his feet to worship him. But he tells me; **Be careful! Do not do that! All I am is a fellow slave of you and of your brothers who have the work of witnessing to Jesus. Worship God.** For the bearing witness to Jesus is what inspires prophesying. (**Revelation 19:10**)
- Well, I John was the one hearing and seeing these things. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the **angel** that had been showing me these things.

(Revelation 22:8)

- **But he tells me; Be careful! Do not do that! All I am is a fellow slave of you and of your brothers who are prophets and of those who are observing the words of this scroll. **Worship God.****
(Revelation 22:9)
- **As personalities, **angels** have the power to communicate with one another**
- **If I speak in the tongues of men and of **angels** but do not have love, I have become a sounding piece of brass or a clashing cymbal. (1 Corinthians 13:1)**
- **The ability to talk various languages of men.**
- **Then Yehowah's **angel** said to him; Why have you beaten your she-ass these three times? Look! I, I have come out to offer resistance, because your way has been headlong against my will. (Numbers 22:32)**
- **And the she-ass got to see me and tried to turn aside before me these three times. Supposing she had not turned aside from before me! For by now even you I should have killed, but her I should have preserved alive. (Numbers 22:33)**
- **At this Balaam said to Yehowah's **angel**; I have sinned, because I did not know that it was you stationed in the road to meet me. And now, if it is bad in your eyes, let me go my way back. (Numbers 22:34)**
- **But Yehowah's **angel** said to Balaam; Go with the men, and nothing but the word that I shall speak to you is what you may speak. And Balaam continued going with the princes of Balak. (Numbers 22:35)**
- **And because the king beheld a watcher, even a holy one, coming down from the heavens, who was also saying; Chop the tree down, and ruin it. However, leave its rootstock itself in the earth, but with a banding of iron and of copper, among the grass of the field, and with the dew of the heavens let it become wet, and with the beasts of the field let its portion be until seven times themselves pass over it. (Daniel 4:23)**

- Just about the ninth hour of the day he saw plainly in a vision an **angel** of God come in to him and say to him; Cornelius! (**Acts of Apostles 10:3**)
- The man gazed at him and, becoming frightened, said; What is it, Lord? He said to him; Your prayers and gifts of mercy have ascended as a remembrance before God. (**Acts of Apostles 10:4**)
- So now send men to Joppa and summon a certain Simon who is surnamed Peter. (**Acts of Apostles 10:5**)
- This man is being entertained by a certain Simon, a tanner, who has a house by the sea. (**Acts of Apostles 10:6**)
- As soon as the **angel** that spoke to him had left, he called two of his house servants and a devout soldier from among those who were in constant attendance upon him. (**Acts of Apostles 10:7**)
- And the thinking ability with which to glorify and praise Yehowah.
- Praise him, all you his **angels**. Praise him, all you his army. (**Psalms 148:2**)
- And suddenly there came to be with the **angel** a multitude of the heavenly army, **praising God and saying**; (**Luke 2:13**)
- It is true that **angels** are sexless, because Yehowah made them so, not because they are impersonal forces. **Angels** are generally represented as males, and when materializing it was always in the male form, because God and his Son are spoken of as males.
- However, when certain **materialized angels** indulged in the pleasure of sex in the days of Noah, they were expelled from Yehowah's heavenly courts. Here was a display of **angelic individuality**, for, like humankind, they too are free moral agents, with the power of personal choice between right and wrong.
- Then the sons of the true God began to notice the daughters of men, that they were good-looking, and they went **taking wives for themselves, namely, all whom they chose**. (**Genesis 6:2**)
- The Nephilim proved to be in the earth in those days, and also after that, when the **sons of the true God continued to have**

relations with the daughters of men and they bore sons to them, they were the mighty one's who were of old, the men of fame. (**Genesis 6:4**)

- Certainly if God did not hold back from punishing the **angels** that sinned, but, **by throwing them into Tartarus, delivered them to pits of dense darkness to be reserved for judgment.** (**2 Peter 2:4**)
- **By personal choice, hordes of angels joined Satan in his rebellion.**
- And war broke out in heaven. **Michael** and his **angels** battled with the **dragon**, and the **dragon** and its **angels** battled (**Revelation 12:7**)
- But it did not prevail, neither was a place found for them any longer in heaven. (**Revelation 12:8**)
- So down the **great dragon** was hurled, the **original serpent**, the one called **Devil and Satan**, who is misleading the entire inhabited earth, he was hurled down to the earth, and his **angels** were hurled down with him. (**Revelation 12:9**)
- Then he will say in turn, to those on his left; Be on your way from me, you who have been cursed, into the everlasting fire prepared for the Devil and his **angels.** (**Matthew 25:41**)

•• **Powers And Privileges**

- **Since God created man a little lower than angels.**
- You made him a little lower than **angels**, with glory and honor you crowned him, and appointed him over the works of your hands. (**Hebrews 2:7**)
- It follows that **angels** have a greater mental capacity than man. They are superhuman in power too.
- **Angelic** knowledge and power were displayed when two **angels** brought flaming destruction upon Sodom and Gomorrah. A single **angel** killed 185,000 of the Assyrian army.
- Bless Yehowah, O you **angels** of his, mighty in power, carrying out his word, by listening to the voice of his word. (**Psalms 103:20**)

- For we are bringing this place to ruin, because the outcry against them has grown loud before Yehowah, so that Yehowah sent us to bring the city to ruin. (**Genesis 19:13**)
- Then Yehowah made it rain sulphur and fire from Yehowah, from the heavens, upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah. (**Genesis 19:24**)
- And it came about on that night that the **angel** of Yehowah proceeded to go out and strike down a hundred and eighty-five thousand in the camp of the Assyrians. When people rose up early in the morning, why, there all of them were dead carcasses. (**2 Kings 19:35**)
- **Angels** too can travel at tremendous speeds, far exceeding the limits of the physical world. Thus when Daniel was praying, God dispatched an **angel** to answer his prayer, and the **angel** arrived within moments, even before the prayer was concluded.
- While I was yet speaking and praying and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel and letting my request for favor fall before Yehowah my God concerning the holy mountain of my God. (**Daniel 9:20**)
- And while I was yet speaking in the prayer, why, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the start, having been made weary with tiredness, was arriving by me at the time of the evening gift offering. (**Daniel 9:21**)
- And he proceeded to impart understanding and speak with me and say; O Daniel, now I have come forth to make you have insight with understanding. (**Daniel 9:22**)
- At the start of your entreaties a word went forth, and I myself have come to make report, because you are someone very desirable. So give consideration to the matter, and have understanding in the thing seen. (**Daniel 9:23**)
- But for all their higher mental and spiritual powers, **angels** have their limitations. They did not know the day and hour when this system of things would be swept away, Jesus said;
- Concerning that day and hour nobody knows, neither the **angels** of the heavens nor the **Son**, but only the **Father**. (**Matthew 24:36**)

- They take a keen interest in the outworking of Yehowah's purposes, yet there are some things they do not understand.
- It was revealed to them that, not to themselves, but to you, they were ministering the things that have now been announced to you through those who have declared the Good News to you with Holy Spirit sent forth from heaven. Into these very things **angels are desiring to peer**. (1 Peter 1:12)
- They rejoice at the repentance of a sinner, and they watch the theatrical spectacle furnished by Christians here on the world stage of public activity. They also observe the proper example of Christian women who wear a sign of authority upon their heads.
- Thus, I tell you, joy arises among the **angels** of God over one sinner that repents. (Luke 15:10)
- For it seems to me that God has put us the apostles last on exhibition as men appointed to death, because we have become a theatrical spectacle to the world, and to **angels**, and to men. (1 Corinthians 4:9)
- That is why the woman ought to have a sign of authority upon her head because of the **angels**. (1 Corinthians 11:10)

See Also IMMORTALITY [Kingdom Heirs Granted Immortality]

- As Yehowah's ministers, the **angels** have enjoyed many privileges during the aeons of passing time. **Angels** ministered on behalf of Abraham, Jacob, Moses, Joshua, Isaiah, Daniel, Zechariah, Peter, Paul, and John, to mention but a few.
- But Yehowah's **angel** began calling to him out of the heavens and saying, Abraham, Abraham! To which he answered; Here I am! (Genesis 22:11)
- Then the **angel** of the true God said to me in the dream, Jacob! To which I said; Here I am. (Genesis 31:11)
- To this he said; No, but I, as prince of the army of Yehowah I have now come. With that Joshua fell on his face to the earth and prostrated himself and said to him; What is my lord saying to his servant? (Joshua 5:14)

- In turn the prince of the army of Yehowah said to Joshua, Draw your sandals from off your feet, because the place on which you are standing is holy. At once Joshua did so. (**Joshua 5:15**)
- At that, one of the seraphs flew to me, and in his hand there was a glowing coal that he had taken with tongs off the altar. (**Isaiah 6:6**)
- And he proceeded to touch my mouth and to say; Look! This has touched your lips, and your error has departed and your sin itself is atoned for. (**Isaiah 6:7**)
- My own God sent his **angel** and shut the mouth of the lions, and they have not brought me to ruin, forasmuch as before him innocence itself was found in me, and also before you, O king, no hurtful act have I done. (**Daniel 6:22**)
- And so I said; Who are these, my lord? At that the **angel** who was speaking with me said to me; I myself shall show you who these very one's are. (**Zechariah 1:9**)
- But during the night Yehowah's **angel** opened the doors of the prison, brought them out and said. (**Acts of Apostles 5:19**)
- Be on your way, and, having taken a stand in the temple, keep on speaking to the people all the sayings about this life. (**Acts of Apostles 5:20**)
- This Moses, whom they disowned, saying; Who appointed you ruler and judge? This man God sent off as both ruler and deliverer by the hand of the **angel** that appeared to him in the thornbush. (**Acts of Apostles 7:35**)
- But, look! Yehowah's **angel** stood by, and a light shone in the prison cell. Striking Peter on the side, he roused him, saying, Rise quickly! And his chains fell off his hands. (**Acts of Apostles 12:7**)
- The **angel** said to him; Gird yourself and bind your sandals on. He did so. Finally he said to him; Put your outer garment on and keep following me. (**Acts of Apostles 12:8**)
- For this night there stood near me an **angel** of the God to whom I

belong and to whom I render sacred service. (**Acts of Apostles 27:23**)

- Saying; Have no fear, Paul. You must stand before Caesar, and, look! God has freely given you all those sailing with you. (**Acts of Apostles 27:24**)
- A revelation by Jesus Christ, which God gave him, to show his slaves the things that must shortly take place. And he sent forth his **angel** and presented it in signs through him to his slave John. (**Revelation 1:1**)
- Their messages contributed toward the writing of the Bible. In Revelation **angels** are mentioned far more times than in any other Bible book. Innumerable **angels** were seen around the great throne of Yehowah, seven blew the seven trumpets, while another seven poured out the seven bowls of God's anger, an **angel** flying in midheaven had everlasting Good News, but another proclaimed, Babylon the Great has fallen.
- And I saw, and I heard a voice of many **angels** around the throne and the living creatures and the elders, and the number of them was myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands. (**Revelation 5:11**)
- And all the **angels** were standing around the throne and the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell upon their faces before the throne and worshiped God. (**Revelation 7:11**)
- And the seven **angels** with the seven trumpets prepared to blow them. (**Revelation 8:6**)
- And I saw another **angel** flying in midheaven, and he had everlasting Good News to declare as glad tidings to those who dwell on the earth, and to every nation and tribe and tongue and people. (**Revelation 14:6**)
- And another, a second **angel**, followed, saying; She has fallen! Babylon the Great has fallen, she who made all the nations drink of the wine of the anger of her fornication! (**Revelation 14:8**)
- And I heard a loud voice out of the sanctuary say to the seven **angels**; Go and pour out the seven bowls of the anger of God into the earth. (**Revelation 16:1**)

· Support Of Christ And Followers

- From beginning to end, the holy **angels** of God followed the earthly sojourn of Jesus with extreme interest. They announced his conception and birth, and they ministered to him after the 40-day fast.
- An **angel** strengthened him when he prayed in Gethsemane on his final night as a human. When the mob came to arrest him, he could have called for no less than **12 legions of angels** had he chosen to do so. **Angels** also announced his resurrection and were present at his ascension into heaven.
- Then the Devil left him, and, look! **Angels** came and began to minister to him. (**Matthew 4:11**)
- Or do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father to supply me at this moment more than twelve legions of **angels**? (**Matthew 26:53**)
- But the **angel** in answer said to the women; Do not you be fearful, for I know you are looking for Jesus who was impaled. (**Matthew 28:5**)
- He is not here, for he was raised up, as he said. Come, see the place where he was lying. (**Matthew 28:6**)
- And go quickly and tell his disciples that he was raised up from the dead, and, look! He is going ahead of you into Galilee, there you will see him. Look! I have told you. (**Matthew 28:7**)
- So the **angel** said to her; Have no fear, Mary, for you have found favor with God. (**Luke 1:30**)
- And, look! You will conceive in your womb and give birth to a son, and you are to call his name Jesus. (**Luke 1:31**)
- But the **angel** said to them; Have no fear, for, look! I am declaring to you Good News of a great joy that all the people will have. (**Luke 2:10**)
- Because there was born to you today a Savior, who is Christ the Lord, in David's city. (**Luke 2:11**)

- Then an **angel** from heaven appeared to him and strengthened him. (**Luke 22:43**)
- And as they were gazing into the sky while he was on his way, also, look! **Two men in white garments stood alongside them.** (**Acts of Apostles 1:10**)
- And they said; Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? This Jesus who was received up from you into the sky will come thus in the same manner as you have beheld him going into the sky. (**Acts of Apostles 1:11**)
- Thereafter, God's **spirit messengers** continued ministering to his servants on earth, even as Jesus promised. Do not despise one of these little ones, for I tell you that their **angels** in heaven always behold the face of my Father.
- See to it that you men do not despise one of these little ones, for I tell you that their **angels** in heaven always behold the face of my Father who is in heaven. (**Matthew 18:10**)
- Are they not all spirits for public service, sent forth to minister for those who are going to inherit salvation?
- Are they not all **spirits for public service**, sent forth to minister for those who are going to inherit salvation? (**Hebrews 1:14**)
- No longer do these mighty **angelic** one's appear visibly in behalf of Yehowah's servants on earth, as when they delivered the apostles from prison, nevertheless, God's servants are assured of the ever-present, invisible protecting armies, as real as those that surrounded the prophet Elisha and his servant.
- For he will give his own **angels** a command concerning you, to guard you in all your ways. (**Psalms 91:11**)
- The **angel** of Yehowah is camping all around those fearing him, and he rescues them. (**Psalms 34:7**)
- But during the night Yehowah's **angel** opened the doors of the prison, brought them out and said. (**Acts of Apostles 5:19**)
- When the minister of the man of the true God rose early to get up, and went out, why, there a military force was surrounding

- the city with horses and war chariots. At once his attendant said to him, Alas, my master! What shall we do? ([2 Kings 6:15](#))
- But he said; Do not be afraid, for there are more who are with us than those who are with them. ([2 Kings 6:16](#))
 - And Elisha began to pray and say; O Yehowah, open his eyes, please, that he may see. Immediately Yehowah opened the attendants eyes, so that he saw, and, look! The mountainous region was full of horses and war chariots of fire all around Elisha. ([2 Kings 6:17](#))
 - **Angels** are further shown accompanying Jesus Christ when he comes for judgment, separating the wheat from the weeds and the sheep from the goats.
 - **Angels** joined with **Michael** in his war on the **dragon** and the **demons** at the birth of God's Kingdom in heaven. They will also support the King of kings in fighting the war of the great day of God the Almighty.
 - The Son of man will send forth his **angels**, and they will collect out from his kingdom all things that cause stumbling and persons who are doing lawlessness. ([Matthew 13:41](#))
 - When the Son of man arrives in his glory, and all the **angels** with him, then he will sit down on his glorious throne. ([Matthew 25:31](#))
 - And all the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another, just as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ([Matthew 25:32](#))
 - And he will put the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on his left. ([Matthew 25:33](#))
 - And war broke out in heaven. **Michael** and his **angels** battled with the **dragon**, and the **dragon** and its **angels** battled ([Revelation 12:7](#))
 - But it did not prevail, neither was a place found for them any longer in heaven. ([Revelation 12:8](#))
 - So down the great **dragon** was hurled, the **original serpent**, the

one called **Devil and Satan**, who is misleading the entire inhabited earth, he was hurled down to the earth, and his **angels** were hurled down with him. (**Revelation 12:9**)

- **And I heard a loud voice in heaven say; Now have come to pass the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ, because the accuser of our brothers has been hurled down, who accuses them day and night before our God! (**Revelation 12:10**)**
- **Also, the armies that were in heaven were following him on white horses, and they were clothed in white, clean, fine linen. (**Revelation 19:14**)**
- **And out of his mouth there protrudes a sharp long sword, that he may strike the nations with it, and he will shepherd them with a rod of iron. He treads too the winepress of the anger of the wrath of God the Almighty. (**Revelation 19:15**)**
- **And upon his outer garment, even upon his thigh, he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords. (**Revelation 19:16**)**