

Week 10: Spiritual Authority Comes with Heavenly Help

God has all power while He has created us to walk with some power. And because the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, then our Heavenly Father has blessed us with fellow servants to aid us in our journey. Angels are present to assist us as God's ministers.

Learning Objective: In our next section of lessons, we are going to learn about the ministry of Angels, to what do they respond, and how important they are in our mission against the forces of darkness.

Lesson Aim: This particular lesson is to get a biblical understanding of the Ministry of Angels.

- We will discover they are created beings who are servant of God.
- We learn that they have personhood which means that they hear commands.
- We will come to understand their ministry and purpose.

Angels Are Created

- Angels are created beings like you are created and are NOT to be worshipped. Therefore, angels have a beginning and no end. But also, the Believer has a beginning and no end. Both have everlasting Life. Only God is ETERNAL.
 - Psalm 148:5
 - 1 Cor. 6:3
 - Hebrews 1:14
- Angels were created holy. The ones who did not rebel are inquisitive about redemption because when 1/3 of the angels did rebel, they were judged immediately.
 - Gen. 1:31
 - Mark 8:38
 - 1Tim. 5:21
 - Their inquisition
 - 1 Peter 1:12
 - Hebrews 2:16 – 18
 - Eph. 3:10
- Angels are limited and will be subject to judgment – Matt. 25:41
- THEREFORE, in relation to Elohim – The Lord God our Creator, they are *His* servants:
 - They praise Him (Psalm 148:1 – 2; Isa. 6:3)
 - They worship Him (Heb. 1:6; Rev. 5:8 – 13)
 - They serve Him (Psalm 103:20; Rev. 22:9)
 - They are instruments of God's Judgements (Rev. 7:1; 8:2)
- AND they are NOT to be worshipped. (Rev. 19:10; 22:9).

Angels Have Personhood

- These special ministers of God are created with personal existence because they have will, emotions, and intelligence. This applies to good and evil angels.
 - o Angelic beings have will:
 - Luke 8:28 – 31
 - 2 Tim. 2: 26
 - Jude 6
 - o These Creatures have emotions:
 - Luke 2:13
 - James 2:19
 - Rev. 12:17
 - o And they possess intelligence:
 - Matt. 8:29
 - 2 Cor. 11:3
 - And they increase in knowledge: Rev. 12:12
- Angels (and their counterparts, demons) are separate created beings and not subjective beings of the mind.
 - o There are ministering spirits (Matt. 2:13 – 15; 4:11 & Luke 22:43)
 - o They are evil and unclean spirits (Luke 8:2; 11:24; 26)
- They are immaterial and incorporeal beings (purely spiritual), yet they are created higher than humanity (Psalm 8). They have similarities with Deity and humanity. Still, they are subject to the Godhead.

Angels are Ministering Agents

- Because Angels are subject to the Godhead and His instruction, then they are myriads of Angels ready to assist you in carrying out your God-given authority.
 - o They communicate the Truth (Dan. 7:15 – 27; Rev. 22:6, 8)
 - o Specific Ministries:
 - Bring answers to prayer Acts 12:5 – 10 yet Peter gives all glory to God (v. 11)
 - Aid in salvation (Acts 8:26)
 - Watchmen (1 Cor. 4:9; 11:10)
 - Encourage (Acts 27:23 – 24)
 - Care for us in our transition (Luke 16:22)
 - Provide protection and deliverance (Gen. 19:15 – 17; Daniel 6:22)
 - Strengthen God's servants (1 Kings 19:5 – 8)
 - Guide Believers to divine appointments (Acts 10:36)
 - Guard and encamp around you (Psalm 91:11 – 12)
 - Rejoice over repentance and salvation (Luke 15:10)

In this lesson we wanted to learn about the ministry of Angels in relation to God and mankind. In the next lesson, we will investigate “to what do they respond” to know how to communicate to heaven when calling on their help. REMEMBER: Angels are your fellow servants and are NOT to be worshipped. WORSHIP GOD, WORK with ANGELS.