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Welcome To The New Testament Baptist Church

Current Series Bible Doctrine

Today's Message **The Bible and Angels**

Pastor Jack

Introduction

- **Colossians 1:16** Christ created angels
 - God's word tells us about angels
 - Not social media videos
 - Not old paintings
 - Not religious movies
- Angels are a higher creature than man Heb. 2:7
- Angels have greater might than man II Pet. 2:11
- Yet angels are called ministering spirits Heb. 1:14
- Angels will be judged by believers I Cor. 6:3
- Man will excel angels when glorified in Christ Eph. 1:18-21

Jesus believed in and experienced the ministry of angels:

- 1. His conception was announced by an angel (Gabriel).
- 2. His birth was announced by angels.
- 3. He was tempted by a fallen angel.
- 4. He was ministered to by angels subsequent to the temptation.
- 5. His teaching is filled with references to angelic beings.
- 6. He experienced the ministry of angels in Gethsemane.
- 7. He could have appealed to twelve legions of angels (Mt. 26:53).
- 8. [Angels] were present at His tomb following the resurrection.
- 9. [Angels] were present at His ascension.

The point is that angels were an integral part of Christ's birth, life, ministry, teaching, death, resurrection, ascension, and will accompany Him at his second advent. To deny the reality of the angelic world is to undermine the integrity of Jesus Himself.

Sam Storms

Classes of Angels

- There are two main classes of angels
 - Elect and non-elect
 - I Tim. 5:20-21 Elect angels
 - II Pet. 2:4; Jude 6
 - No redemption for angels

Organization and Rank among Angels

- **Jude 9** Michael the archangel (chief angel)
 - Devil disputes with him about the body of Moses
 - I Thess. 4:16
 - Michael is referred to in Daniel and in Revelation
 - Fights against the dragon with "his angels"
- Luke 1:19, 26 Gabriel
 - Messenger of God (Daniel 8:15-16)
- Eph. 1:21 and 3:10
 - principalities and powers in heavenly places

The Employment of Holy Angels

They praise the Lord and do His commands – Ps.
 103:20

- They cover themselves with wings as they worship

One reason women are exhorted to wear a head covering during worship service
I Cor. 11:10

- Rev. 4:6-9

- Not sure all are "angels"

2) They rejoice in the salvation of men – Luke 15:7

3) Sent to minister to the heirs of salvation – Ps. 34:7

- Rescued Daniel from the mouth of the lion's

- Dan. 6:22

- Rescued Peter from prison

- Acts 12

- Rescue all who shall be saved

- Heb. 1:14

4) They are sent as messengers of God to men
- Came in the form of men in OT
- Heb. 13:2 - Entertain angels?

5) Sent by God to execute judgement

- The book of Revelation
- Angels excel in strength (Ps. 103:20)
- II Kings 19:35 An angel slew in one night 185,000
 - Over 4 men a second
- 6) They will accompany Christ at His second coming
 - Matthew 25
 - Come in His glory with His angels

7) Observe the teachings within the church

- I Peter 1:9-12
- Eph. 3:8-10
 - Taught the wisdom of God
- Angels were involved in the giving of the law
- They ministered to Christ
- Angels are not to be worshipped
 - Rev. 22:8

"I have no doubt that some who claim to commune with angels really have been able to establish a link with angelic beings – though not in the way they seek. Scripture warns us plainly that Satan and his messengers often appear as angels of light (2 Cor. 11:13-15). In other words, demonic beings take advantage of the gullibility of people who are actively seeking to communicate with the spirit world. "Angelmania" turns out to be sheer occultism, with all its horrible effects. Many people have been drawn into serious demonic bondage by these practices, and Christians should be strongly warned against them."

John MacArthur