
The Spirit World Part 1

Topic: There are many kinds of spirit beings. We are going to explore what the bible has to say about the spirit realm. That world consists of good and evil, just like ours. If you don't have the spirit of God in you, then the demons of Satan are guiding you. The spirit world leads the physical world. You never lead yourself. There are many different spirit beings listed in the bible. Psychics, mediums, and other occultists are looking for information from the spirit world, but the bible tells us to leave that alone.

Regarding Cherubims (mentioned 95 times in scripture)

Genesis 3:23-24: God placed Cherubims at the east end to guard the Garden of Eden with spinning flaming swords so Adam and Eve can't get at the Tree of Life. God did not want Adam and Eve to live in a state of sin for ever and ever, so He cut off access to the Tree of Life.

Exodus 25:17-22: Noah is being directed how to build the Arc of the Covenant. It has a mercy seat where the priests sprinkled blood on the seat and God hovered over the mercy seat. Two Cherubims of gold are placed on either side of the arc of the covenant to overlook the mercy seat. Cherubims protect mankind from their own sins. God instructed Noah to put the 10 Commandments on the mercy seat. God lets these spirit beings appear from time to time, when it serves His purpose. Read Rev 4 and Ezek 4 to compare visions of different groups of beings. We don't think they are cherubim.

I Kings 6:23: within the oracle where the arc of the covenant will be placed, 2 cherubims were carved out of olive trees and covered in gold 10 cubits high, almost twice as high as a standard 8-ft ceiling of today. Their wings are stretched out forward and backward, touching the walls behind and in front of them, and touching each other's wings. These cherubims are very important to the presence of God. This is the Holy of Holies, covered with cherubim, palm trees, and flowers. The cherubim represent the Holiness of God and the sin of mankind against God. God demanded the best, so everything was covered with gold-covered cherubim, palm trees, and flowers.

Regarding Seraphims (this is the only place in the bible where seraphim are mentioned):

Isaiah 6:1-7: Seraphims each have 6 wings with 2 wings that cover their face (in reverence to God), 2 cover their feet (in humility to God), and 2 to fly with. These seraphim surround the throne of God and talk to each other. Isaiah immediately recognizes that he is seeing a holy vision of God on His throne and His angelic host of seraphim surrounding Him, chanting "Holy Holy Holy". Isaiah says he is unclean and done for as an unclean man. A seraphim takes a hot coal off the alter and touches Isaiah lips with it and says "your iniquity is taken away, and your sin is purged." The seraphims have 2 purposes: proclaim the holiness of God and all His creation, and to purify uncleanliness. Now Isaiah is ready to God's work in a proper manner, not in a sinful manner. God used the seraphim in this vision to let God know that Isaiah is forgiven.