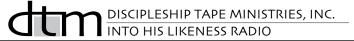
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# Learn from the Angels

What the Bible Says About Angels

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**Series: Angels** 



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Little Jenny was a well-behaved child. She went to bed on time, ate all her spinach, and seldom talked back to Mom and Dad. Her parents referred to her as a "little angel". To them, she was.

"Ron, be an angel and take out the garbage," his wife Suzie lovingly asked. To her, that would make him an angel, so to speak.

The Wilson's new baby was sleeping in her crib, with a precious smile on her face. You've heard it before. "Isn't she an angel?" they cooed.

"Be an angel and type that letter for me," Sue's boss asked. She did. If we were to form our theology from experience, then, we would know this much about angels:

- 1- They behave
- 2- They take out garbage
- 3- They sleep in cribs
- 4- They type letters

Well, not exactly. There <u>are</u> two kinds of angels, and one kind *does behave*. So far as I can find in Scripture, however, there is no clear record that any of them take out garbage, sleep in cribs or type letters; but they might. One thing is certain, they are a mystery to many believers, and they are certainly misunderstood by the unbelieving world.

Today, angels are the rage in the entertainment industry. A television series built around three angels, two female and one male, has skyrocketed in the ratings. A recent movie about a somewhat unorthodox angel is one of several designed to bring the spirit world into a context that makes angelic spirits lovable, laughable, and desirable. But they are, for the most part, only making matters worse. For while they may bring the subject of the spirit world to the forefront, and while they may make good triumph over evil, they are an affront to the facts of Scripture and the truth about angelic beings.

Yes, Virginia, there <u>are</u> angels. There are so many of them, even our newest computers can't keep track of them. They are everywhere. Some are good, and some are bad. Some are responsible for nations, and some for people. Some deal primarily with demonstrating the power of God, protecting His saints; others are more like worship leaders. Still others appear to be primarily involved in carrying out the judgements of God.

Yes, some of them have six wings, and as always, God has a reason for that. Some are in prison with longer-than-life sentences. We only know the names of a few, but those we know have played an important part in Biblical history. And as the clock of eternity nears that precious second when history will become HIS story at last, these angelic beings, both good and evil, are poised on the sidelines, ready to enter the final conflict, when all of the forces of evil amass themselves against the True and Living God. Forget Star Wars—this is the real thing. And the increase in interest in spirit beings is appropriate, though for the most part, the people creating the interest haven't a clue as to why.

It's appropriate because we are nearing the end of the season. The game of life is about to unveil its final Super Bowl in an open stadium called Armageddon. And all the hype and all the hope that is taking center stage on the video screen of human existence is no accident. God is about to vindicate His name, and you and I are about to witness warfare in the spirit realm the likes of which we never dreamed we would see. I Timothy 4 says this:

Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; (I Timothy 4:1)

What does that have to do with angels? Beloved, they will be key players in the unfolding drama of victory that will soon be banner headlines in the newspaper of eternity, for "...every eye shall see Him..." (Revelation 1:7) and

"...every knee will bow...

and every tongue will confess that Jesus is Lord to the glory of God the Father" (Philippians 2:10,11)

So there has never been a better time in history than this to look at this incredibly mysterious subject. Why are angels such a mystery? Surely it is not because God has left us in the dark. Hundreds of verses of Scripture tell us all about their origin, their fall, their duties, their future, even the things they marvel at. Does

not the mystery stem from the fact that they are spirit beings, and we cannot see them? Does not the confusion come because we want to place them in some kind of context where we can relate to them as though they were not of the spirit world? Or are we afraid of anything that has its roots in thrones, dominions, principalities and powers? We shall endeavor to find out as we progress through the Scriptures these next few lessons, seeking to discover *exactly what God says about angels*. In reality, *He* is our only source of Truth.

Our only textbook will be the Word of God. Our only purpose will be to find what God is saying to us about the angelic world and what He is teaching us by saying it. When that boss wanted that letter typed and said, "Be an angel", he had an appropriate response in mind. He wanted obedience. When that sweet baby was called an angel, those who were admiring her had a thought in mind: the baby appeared guileless, peaceful, without evil intent. When Jenny was called an angel, it was because she always sought to please the parents God had placed over her. So while we may have misused the term, there are underlying truths that lie under the surface that cause us to use that term the way we do.

A word of warning. Our journey through the land of the spirit world may well invite spiritual warfare. For any study about angels will take us into the world of demonic activity, where the hosts of hell do not want to be seen for what they are. We will not give them the benefit of focusing on them. We will look at them only long enough to marvel at the grace of God. We will study who they are and what they do, but we will not marvel at their power or allow that power to, in any way, detract from our awe at the power and love of God. They are what we are apart from Christ: rebels, destroyers, deceivers, and frauds. As such, they have power, and they use it constantly. But their power is limited...it is limited by a sovereign, omnipotent God, and it is that God who deserves all of our attention.

So there will be warfare. But as always, when we are focusing on our Lord, the warfare will end up in triumph and victory.

Greater is He that is in us than he that is in the world.

(I John 4:4)

Satan and his host have limited authority on this earth, and they exercise that power in a multitude of ways. Never forget, however, that the ultimate victory always lies in the hands of God.

He will triumph; His word will triumph; His plan will triumph; and we will be triumphant with Him. Remember, Beloved,

...His is the Kingdom, and His is the power, and His is the glory, forever. Amen. (Matthew 6:13)

So much for the introduction. On with the study. These are some of the questions we will seek to find answers to (though not necessarily in this order):

# Angels:

- Where did they come from?
- What are they?
- Do they have names?
- How are they organized?
- What do they look like?
- How did some of them fall?
- How do they compare to God?
- What do they do all day?
- What will they do in the future?
- Who is the angel of the LORD?
- What is demonic activity all about?
- What can angels learn from us?
- What principles do we learn from angels?
- What are we going to do with what we've learned?

# ANGELS: WHERE DID THEY COME FROM?

The first question we have to answer about angels is "Where did they come from?" That question is more important than you may realize. For either they were created beings or they were always in existence, even as God was. Let's get one thing clear: Angels are created beings. Psalm 148 says this:

Praise ye the LORD. Praise ye the LORD from the heavens: praise him in the heights.

Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts.

Praise ye him, sun and moon: praise him, all ye stars of light.

Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that be above the heavens.

Let them praise the name of the LORD: for he commanded, and they were created.

He hath also stablished them for ever and ever: he hath made a decree which shall not pass. (Psalms 148:1-6)

He commanded, and they were created. He created the sun, the moon, the stars, the heavens, and the angels. John affirms it and tells us who "He" is:

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

The same was in the beginning with God.

All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made. (John 1:1-3)

Jesus Christ, the Living Word, created all things. By Him were all things made that were made. This includes the heavenly host. That is affirmed in Colossians 1.

In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:

Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.

(Colossians 1:14-17)

# I Timothy reminds us that:

Which in his times he shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Amen.

(I Timothy 6:15,16)

Only He has immortality. The angels were created beings, brought into existence probably before Genesis 1:1, but certainly before Genesis 3:1. We say probably before Genesis 1:1, because Scripture indicates that they observed the creation of the world:

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said,

Who is this that darkeneth counsel by words without knowledge?

Gird up now thy loins like a man; for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me.

Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.

Who hath laid the measures thereof, if thou knowest? or who

hath stretched the line upon it?

Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or who laid the corner stone thereof;

When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy? (Job 38:1-7)

The "sons of God", a phrase used interchangeably with that of angels in the Old Testament, were present when God laid the foundations of the earth and set the cornerstone in place. They were there, and they shouted for joy.

# ANGELS: WHAT ARE THEY?

By Genesis 3:1, some of the angels had fallen, and we see Satan in his first public appearance, indwelling a serpent, attempting (and succeeding) in throwing all of mankind into a swirling cesspool of disobedience. So the angels were created by God before the foundation of the world for a purpose. That's how they got here, but just what <u>are</u> they?

First of all, take note that they are not glorified human beings. Matthew 22:30 says we will have some characteristics of angels, but we will not be angels. In Hebrews 12:22, the "myriads of the angels" are distinguished from the "spirits of righteous men made perfect". Man is, at present, considered "a little lower than the angels" (Psalm 8:5, Hebrews 2:7), but will actually one day "judge angels" (I Corinthians 6:3) So they are not humans, and we will never be angels. They were created beings, separate and apart from man, with characteristics we do not at this time possess. What are some of their characteristics?

# 1- They are spiritual, not physical beings.

They are incorporeal. They lack material form or substance. They are referred to in Hebrews 1:7, quoting Psalm 104:4, this way:

And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. (Hebrews 1:7)

### Hebrews 1:14 adds:

Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

### Paul describes their role this way:

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

(Ephesians 6:12)

# 2- They sometimes appear in bodily form.

And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.

And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.

(Luke 1:26-29)

We read all through Scripture including Genesis, chapters 18 and 19, John 20:12, and Hebrews 13:2, of incidents in which angels appear in bodily form for a purpose and for a season. The manner in which they suddenly appear and disappear simply adds to the fact that these are not normal human bodies. So angels are spirit beings with spirit bodies, but when needed, they are able to inhabit physical bodies. We shall see the importance of this fact in a later study.

# 3- They have spiritual characteristics.

a- They do not marry and they do not die. (Luke 20:34-36)

Marriage was a special portrait designed by God as a picture of His relationship to man through Israel and the church. Marriage is a physical symbol of a spiritual relationship. Being spirit beings, and probably being all male in gender, they do not marry, and...

- *b- They do not reproduce.* There are no angel maternity wards. God created a given number, but though they are called "sons of God" throughout the Old Testament, there is no reference to the "sons of angels".
- c- They are never referred to, except in the masculine gender. The word "angel" in Scripture only occurs in the masculine gender. (Sorry, CBS.) Even the angels at the tomb were identified as men.
- d-God does not offer salvation to fallen angels. There is not even a hint in Scripture that the fallen angels will be saved, but rather that they will suffer in outer darkness for all eternity. Some, in fact, are already in prison awaiting their execution. Hebrews chapter two differentiates between the angelic host and His called ones:

Since then the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, that through death He might

render powerless him who had the power of death, that is, the devil;

And might deliver those who through fear of death were subject to slavery all their lives.

For assuredly He does not give help to angels, but He gives help to the descendant of Abraham. (Hebrews 2:14-16 NAS)

He does not rescue the angels who have fallen. Some, indeed, are already imprisoned, awaiting their day of judgment. Others are free to do the work of the chief fallen angel, Satan. That work, as we shall see, is both straightforward and abominable at the same time. It is to destroy the work of God by defying the nature of God and distracting the children of God from doing the will of God. More about that at a later time.

# 4- They are powerful, but their powers are limited.

Angels have more power than we do, but they are not omnipotent.

But chiefly them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, selfwilled, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.

Whereas angels, which are greater in power and might, bring not railing accusation against them before the Lord.

(II Peter 2:10,11)

The angelic hosts have greater power and might than we do. Paul refers to them as "mighty angels" in II Thessalonians 1:7. You can see it illustrated in Acts 5:19 and 12:7, where the angel of the Lord freed the apostles from prison, and in Matthew 28:2, where an angel rolled away the stone from the tomb.

That power is limited, however. Revelation 12:7,8 tells us of warfare in heaven between good and evil angels, where some did not prevail.

And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. (Revelation 12:7,8)

# 5- They are intelligent, but not omniscient

In II Samuel 14:20, the wisdom of an angel is considered "great wisdom". Jesus, speaking in Matthew 24:36, said, "But of that day and hour no one knows, *not even the angels of heaven.*" Even fallen angels have supernatural wisdom, as seen in Luke 4:34. But, there is much angels do not know. I Peter 1:11-12

teaches us that they "seek to learn through investigation, something of the marvels of salvation." The righteous angels, having never tasted sin, having never been separated from God, do not grasp experientially what grace is all about. There is a precious song which captures it so well. It goes something like this:

"Holy, holy is what the angels sing And I expect their song must make The courts of heaven ring But when I sing redemption's story They all fold their wings For angels never felt the joy That our salvation brings."

# 6- They are active, but not omnipresent

Angels roam and walk and fly about on the earth (Job 1:7, Zechariah 1:11, I Peter 5:8). They move about invisibly, but sometimes their movements take time (Daniel 10:10-14). They cannot, however, be in more than one place at one time. Only God is omnipresent. That is why there are so many angels, and why Satan has such a huge demonic host. If either Michael or Satan were omnipresent (could be in more than one place at one time), the management of such an overwhelming organization would not be necessary.

# 7- They are under authority and are called to serve

The righteous angels live to do God's bidding. They are His messengers, His assistants, who live to serve the saints. The unrighteous angels, or fallen angels, live to serve Satan. They were designed by God to serve under authority, and even those who rebelled against God's plan are serving His enemy, apparently with minimum rebellion in the ranks. They have a common goal: to thwart the work of God. They will use any method or any man to do that. As we will see at a later time, they are organized, disciplined, and devastating in their destructiveness. God's holy angels, on the other hand, simply live to worship and serve the Living God. They have no agenda of their own, no timeline of their own, no desire for glory of their own. Angels are "owned" creatures. They are bondslaves in the spirit realm. Some are God's slaves; others are Satan's slaves. None are neutral. None are involved in any other endeavor other than the battle between Satan and God for the souls of men.

What does all of this mean to us? Let's attempt throughout this

study of angels to keep our focus on two things:

- 1) The character of God
- 2) The will of God for us

So long as we keep our eyes fixed on Him, and our hearts fixed on humble obedience, any knowledge obtained can be transformed into wisdom and thus generate more humility and grace. When our eyes become focused on the *information or the enemy*, however, Satan is in the driver's seat; and the very seed of the Word of God which was designed to transform us into His likeness becomes a tool of Satan to puff us up, make us self-righteous, and cause us to feel that we have power and wisdom apart from God.

Our goal, then, is not to gain information, but knowledge. Knowledge is truth about the person of God from the Word of God. True knowledge has only one objective: to gain understanding. Understanding is personalized knowledge; knowledge that has been applied to the heart, and by lifting up the nature of God has illuminated His character and condemned sin. Even that, however, is not the end goal. Understanding must be turned into wisdom. Wisdom is the changing of our nature by responding to the will of God from the Word of God through choice. So every time some new truth about angels, or any other subject, convicts us or encourages us, we must humble ourselves before God and apply that knowledge to our relationship with Him by exalting Him. As He instructs us through His Word by His Spirit, we then obey by choice. Then and only then has our knowledge of the Scripture borne eternal fruit.

God is not going to give exams in heaven to see who accumulated the most information. Dictionaries can do that. Encyclopedias can do that. We can just send a CD-ROM to heaven. No, His concern is how we responded to the knowledge we received. So, even though this study is designed to give us more information about angels, its true goal is to change us by looking at God and His eternal purposes as illustrated by the angels. Scripture says it like this:

For whatsoever things were written aforetime were written for our learning, that we through patience and comfort of the scriptures might have hope. (Romans 15:4)

Because our great need in the Christian life is for focus and application, and because we seem to gravitate towards quantity rather than substance, we will endeavor to major on only one aspect of God's nature and one or two key points of application in each lesson. Hopefully, this will give us a point of focus for the time

between studies in which we can seriously use the lesson to look at God and at ourselves in the light of the angelic host.

This one study alone surfaces so many facets of the brilliance of God's nature. It speaks of His righteousness, of His omnipotence, of His sovereignty, and of His immortality, to name just a few. But perhaps more than anything, it surfaces once more the beauty of a single aspect of who God is. God is spirit, and they that worship Him must worship Him in spirit and in truth. Because He is spirit, His goals are spiritual. Because His goals are spiritual, He creates things and allows things in the physical realm primarily to teach spiritual truth. Whenever we focus on the object He is using to teach, rather than on the truth behind the object, we miss it. John explains it:

But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. (John 4:23,24)

If that is His goal, then what has gone wrong, and what do the angels have to do with correcting that problem? First of all, God designed man to be a spiritual being (Genesis 1:26, John 4:24). Our spirits and God's Spirit were to be one, in total harmony because of total obedience. But sin entered the world, and death by sin. When man sinned, his spirit died, and he could no longer fellowship with a God who is Spirit. So the sin question had to be dealt with.

Once man is reconciled to God through faith in Christ, however, something wonderful happens. His Spirit comes to dwell in us (John 14:17), and we then have progressively, *from one degree of glory to another* (II Corinthians 3:18) the capacity to grow into His likeness. Now, we live *in* one world and *for* another. Now the physical is what we see and touch, but the spiritual is why we are alive.

All through the New Testament, the disciples and the throng who followed, suffered from a not-so rare disease called "double-mindedness". They heard what Jesus was saying, but they couldn't apply it to the spirit realm, so they missed the point of it all. In John, chapter three, Nicodemus struggled with this. Jesus told him he needed to be born again, to be born of water *and of the Spirit*. Nick asked if he had to enter again into his mother's womb. In John, chapter four, Jesus encountered the woman at the well,

### and this conversation ensued:

Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water?

Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle?

(John 4:10-12)

Nicodemus didn't understand it was a spiritual birth. The woman did not understand it was spiritual water. Jesus spoke of bread come down from heaven, but they didn't get it. They still wanted their stomachs filled, their thirst quenched, their physical needs met. They thought the gospel was a gospel of ease and comfort, and its purpose was to create heaven on earth.

Jesus kept trying to explain to them that the gospel is a gospel of warfare and tribulation, and its purpose is spiritual growth and reproduction on earth on our way to heaven. They just didn't get it. So often, neither do we.

I believe that one reason God created angels was to teach us how we ought to behave in the spirit realm. He also was giving us a glimpse of heaven, and how we will behave when sin is gone. I believe He also uses the fallen angels to teach us how man behaves apart from God, and how we either serve the Living God or Satan. No angel serves anyone else. It is either one or the other. He that is not for Him is against Him (Matthew 12:30).

One example is that of priorities. The angels have two basic priorities: to worship God and to serve His children. Hebrews chapter one explains that:

And again, when he bringeth in the firstbegotten into the world, he saith, And let all the angels of God worship him.

And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. (Hebrews 1:6,7)

But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?

Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation? (Hebrews 1:13,14)

There are the two reasons for their being: to worship God and

to minister to those who shall be heirs of salvation. That's what they do. So if you want to learn how to worship, pay attention to the angels. If you want to know how to serve, pay careful heed to how they serve. First, how do they worship God? They worship Him for who He is.

In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

Above it stood the seraphim: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts.

(Isaiah 6:1-5)

Do you know how to worship like that? It was not just an emotional experience. It was an enclosing of God's Spirit around their spirits until they became so in awe of what He was (holy) that they could not contain themselves.

Today, we sometimes try to create worship experiences that bring God down to us to meet our perceived need to have an experience. That's not really the issue. The angels don't worship God for how it makes them feel. They worship Him because they are so in awe of Him. How will we know, then, when we have truly worshipped, if it's not by how we feel? When you want to fall on your face in utter humility and awe at the very privilege of calling His precious name, Beloved, you'll know you have worshipped. When the very thought of His holiness causes you to see your sin for what it is and makes you cry out for mercy, you have worshipped. Watch the angels as we progress in our study. When you see them worship, you will see how you will one day worship, as well, and you can begin to get in practice.

The second thing we learn from angels is how to serve. Watch them in the weeks to come as we look at what they do day and night. The righteous angels give themselves away. They have no rights, no agenda, no need to be recognized. They serve obediently. Whatever God says, they do. They serve humbly. They are given

the most menial of tasks to perform for people who do not even know they are there. They serve invisibly. We cannot see them because they are spirits, and only on rare occasions do they appear in human form, and even then we usually do not realize they were angels, because God is trying to teach us something about serving transparently.

When we serve, we want recognition. We want to choose the agenda. We want to choose who we will or won't serve. We want to do the things that are important and let others do the behind the scenes dirty work in the Kingdom. We want to minister to the people who appeal to us, the ones who fit in with our lifestyle and who measure up to our social standards. Not so with Jesus. He made Himself a little lower than the angels so that by giving His life away, we might receive eternal life.

Philippians, chapter two, says:

But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant... (Philippians 2:7a)

As humbly as the angels serve, the King of kings humbled Himself even further, in order to serve us. Why did the Scripture point that out? Because the angels teach us how to serve. They are ministering saints for God's children, but we don't even know they are there. They are so transparent, so invisible, they sometimes appear when we least expect them as "angels unawares" and meet our most basic needs. Then, as quickly and as quietly as they came, they disappear, leaving all of the glory to accrue to our God and none to them.

Oh, what we can learn about serving from the angels. They delight in doing the things no one else wants to do. They never give God excuses when He calls on them. They know how crucial God's timing is, so they never waste any time when one of us needs them. They seem especially available to those who need them most, the very people we have such trouble identifying with or serving.

Learn from the angels. Learn how to serve. Learn how to worship. If you do, you will have begun the process of learning just why God created angels in the first place. When your loved one says, "Dear, be an angel", God may be speaking to you. He may be saying, "Dear, learn from the angels: learn to be sensitive, learn to be obedient, learn to be invisible, but available."

Learn from the angels, Beloved. It could change your life.

# For Focus and Application

- 1- If you were to condense into three sentences your concept of what angels are, how would you describe them?
- 2- When you watch television or read books about angels, do you tend to rethink your impressions based on what you see or read? How do you think this affects unbelievers? What dangers do you see in the current "angel craze"? What benefits?
- 3- In one sentence, describe where angels came from. Why is this fact so important?
  - 4- If they were created, how do we know approximately when?
- 5- What do you think angels look like? Why can't we normally see them?
- 6- Can you find at least three places in Scripture where angels came in bodily form? What made them recognizable as angels?
  - 7- How do we know that angels do not marry?
- 8- Do you think there are female angels? Explain your answer. If not, why not?
- 9- Do angels have more power than we do? How does their power compare with God's?
- 10- There are two lessons we want to focus on and learn from angels in this lesson: how they worship and how they serve. Searching the Scripture for answers, see what characteristics of their worship help you understand something of the nature of God. Then look at how they go about serving. What characteristics of how they serve can affect your service? Ask God to teach you through these next few lessons more about Himself by looking at this special creation of His: the angels.