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An Exile Longing for Heaven



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BIBLICAL LIGHT ON THE DOCTRINE OF ANGELS:

True/False - *Every individual has a guardian Angel*

False - The idea is pagan. Egypt, Mesopotamia

Matt 18:10 - "Their" is a collective pronoun. All little children

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BIBLICAL LIGHT ON THE DOCTRINE OF ANGELS:

True/False - *Angels appear visibly to men all the time*

False - Angels don't point to themselves, but to Christ

Luk 2:10; Matt 28:2; Acts 1:9; Matt 13:41

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BIBLICAL LIGHT ON THE DOCTRINE OF ANGELS:

True/False - *Angels, even though stronger than men, are servants of men*

True - Sent by Christ to serve us (Heb 1:14)

Acts 5:19; 12:23; Ps 103:20; Matt 6:10; 1 Cor 6:2-3

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Two Biblical Descriptions of the Ministry of Angels:

1. They are Powerful Helpers (1-10)

i. To Aid in Answer to Prayer (1-3)

ii. To Strengthen us in our Weakness (4-10)

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Two Biblical Descriptions of the Ministry of Angels:

2. They are Protectors of God's People (10-21)

This (v.10) is the Angel **GABRIEL**

- 1. Same language in v. 11 and 9:23*
- 2. He was sent by God in answer to Daniel's prayer*
- 3. He was fighting against an evil angel in v.13 (demon)*
- 4. He is sent to help Daniel know and understand prophecy (v.14)*

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Three ways:

i. Angels are Channels of God's Grace (10-12)

a. Physical Strength (10)

Acts 5:19-21 - for proclamation

Acts 12:5-11; 23-24 - from opposition

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b. Scriptural Wisdom (11)

Gal 3:19 - Revelation

Deut 33:2; Jude 14,15 - Purity

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Show Respect to God's Word

In our lives and in our corporate fellowship

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c. Heavenly Care (12)

Luk 1:13;30

Ps 91:11

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Three ways:

ii. Angels are Warriors against God's Enemies (13,20,21)

a. To Fight for Christ's Kingdom (13)

Prince - Evil angelic being

Jude 9; John 12:31; Eph 2:2

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Three ways:

ii. Angels are Warriors against God's Enemies (13,20,21)

b. To Limit Evil (20,21)

20 - Persia, book of Esther (40 years after Daniel)

Greece - Alexander lived only till 32

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Two Biblical Descriptions of the Ministry of Angels:

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Three ways:

iii. Angels are Ministers of God's Strength (14-19)

a. The Difficulty (*mystery*) of Prophecy (14-16)

Isaiah 2:2

Ps 25:4,5

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b. The Discouragement of our unworthiness (17-19)

Isaiah 6:5; 1 Tim 1:15

Phil 4:13