

THE UNFOLDING MYSTERY OF REDEMPTION

Lesson 2: The Creation and Fall of the Angels

Genesis 1:1

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

I. The First Creation: The Angels

- A. Created sometime before _____ (Job 38:4-7).
- B. Thousands upon thousands (Heb.12:22; Rev.5:11)
- C. Each individually created...not _____ (Psalm 148:2,5; Matt.22:30; Luke 20:35-36)
- D. No material bodies...they are _____ (Heb.1:14).
- E. They move around wherever they want to (Dan 10:12).
- F. Created to worship and serve God. (Heb 1:14; Luke 2)
 - 1. Some were _____ of God's Creation (Psalms 37:4; 91:11).
 - 2. Some were _____ to Humans (Acts 8:26, 10:1-7; .
- G. Created good, and perfectly holy (Ezek. 28:15).
- H. Created with strength and wisdom. (Psalm 103.20)

II. Lucifer, The Best of All the Angels (Ezek.28:12-19)

- A. His Original State (Ezekiel 28:12-15)
- B. His Fall (Ezek. 28:17; Isaiah 14:13-14; Revelation 12:4)
 - 1. His Sin (Ezekiel 28:17; Revelation 12:4)
 - 2. His Failure (Ezek. 28:16)



3. His Punishment (Ezek.28:16-19)

a) *Cast out of Heaven*

Principle: The payment for sin is _____ from God.

b) *No longer a servant or messenger of God.*

c) *Doomed to future punishment in an eternal lake of fire. (Ezekiel 28:19)*

C. His New Names

1. The Devil – Diabolos: Accuser, Slanderer
2. Satan: The Adversary
3. Apollyon: The Exterminator (Revelation Ch. 9)
4. Abaddon: The one who ruins or destroys
5. The Father of Lies (John 8:44)

D. His Purposes Now In The World

1. To Fight against God's _____, God's _____, and God Himself. (Matt. 16:21-23; 1 Chronicles 21:1; Job 1:6-12; 2:17; Zech. 3:12; Acts 5:3)
2. To _____ God and Good angels.
(2 Corinthians 11:14-15)
3. To _____, _____ and _____ the creation.
(1 Peter 5:8)

Homework to Prepare for Lesson 3: Read Genesis 1-2 and go through the Supplemental Study on the Existence of Angels (Next Page).



A STUDY ON THE EXISTENCE OF ANGELS

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(Supplement to Lesson 2)

Old Testament Evidence that Angels Exist

- Cherubim with a flaming sword guarding the garden (Gen.3:24)
- Abraham ate and conversed with angels. (Genesis 18)
- Agents of God (Zechariah Ch.1)
- An angel executed judgment on Israel after David had a census taken (2 Samuel 24:16)
- God's servants who worship Him and deliver his servants from harm. (Psalm 34:7; 91:11; 103:20)
- Gabriel and Michael mentioned (Daniel 9:20-27; 10:13; 12:1)

New Testament Evidence that Angels Exist

- Took certain roles during Christ's life: (Matthew 2:19; Mark 1:13; Luke 2:13; John 20:12; Acts 1:10-11)
- Opened prison doors for the apostles (Acts 5:19; 12:5-11)
- Gave directions to Philip and Cornelius in ministry (Acts 8:26; 10:1-7)
- Gave a message of encouragement to Paul during a storm on his way to Rome. (Acts 27:23-25)
- Writers of the New Testament assumed their existence
 - Paul (Galatians 3:19; I Timothy 5:21)
 - The Writer of Hebrews (Heb.1:4)
 - Peter (I Peter 1:12)
 - Jude (v.6)
 - The book of Revelation (written by the apostle John) has about 65 clear references to angels
- The Testimony of Jesus
 - Angels ministered to Him after his temptation (Matt. 4:11).
 - He said that men who are resurrected will be like them: they don't reproduce (Matthew 22:30).
 - He said that they will separate the righteous from the wicked and the end of the age (Matt. 13:39).
 - Proof that He believed in them: (Matt 18:10, 26:53)

