

Angels and Demons

The Creation and Ministry of Angels Lesson 1

Introduction

What do you already know about angels?

What questions do still you have about angels?

The Creation of Angels

When were angels created?

Read **Job 38:4-7**. What insight does the passage from Job give as to when God may have created the angels?

How many angels are there?

What do the following passages indicate about the number of angels?

Hebrews 12:22 –

Daniel 7:10 –

Luke 20:35,36 –

What are angels like?

How are angels often pictured on TV, in literature, or art? How accurate are those depictions?

Hebrews 1:14 states, *“Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?”*
Remember that angels are _____.

Angels are spiritual beings. They do not have bodies, however, in some cases they may take on the form of humans. Can you think of such examples in Scripture?

Angels have special knowledge about spiritual matters and the workings of God. The Angel Gabriel appeared in both the Old and New Testaments to reveal God’s will (**Daniel 9:22; Luke 1**). On the other hand what do the following passages also reveal about the angels’ knowledge?

1 Peter 1:12 –

Matthew 24:36 –

Do angels have wings? (**Exodus 25:20; 1 Kings 6:24; Isaiah 6:2; Revelation 4:8; Ezekiel 1:6**)

Are there different classes of angels?

Only two angels are named in Scripture. Who are they?

Scripture indicates different ranks or classes of angels

Archangel (**Daniel 10:13; Revelation 12:7**)

Cherubim (**Genesis 3:24; Ezekiel 1:5-14**)

Seraphim (**Isaiah 6:2**)

The Ministry of Angels

The word *angel* literally means “_____.”

What did angels do in the past?

List examples from Scripture to answer the above question.

Angels often served as messengers. Do angels still deliver divine messages today? (Consider **Matthew 28:19.20; Mark 16:15; Romans 10:17**)

What do angels do today?

Read **Psalm 91:11, 12**. Does everyone have a personal guardian angel? (**Matthew 18:10**)

Read **Luke 15:10**. What else do angels do?

What will angels do in the future?

Luke 16:22 –

Matthew 24:30, 31 –

Discuss

How often do you ponder the Scriptural truth that God has created angels and still uses angels to serve you? What might prevent us at times from recognizing this truth? What might help us better remember this truth?

Some might think that we become angels when we die. If you ever encounter that misunderstanding to which truths might you redirect that individual?

Some may claim to have seen an angel or even heard a message from an angel. Have you ever had a conversation with someone who has made such a claim? What will you want to consider when you hear such claims?