

# **ANGELS – AN INTRODUCTION**

### Colossians 1:16 NLT

For through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see—such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through Him and for Him.

### Matthew 25:41 NLT

"Then the King will turn to those on the left and say, 'Away with you, you cursed ones, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his demons."

### 1. The Word Angel Means Messenger.

- A. They are not gods.
- B. They are not **men/women**.
- C. They are **spiritual beings**.

#### 2. **5** Different Angels Mentioned in the Bible.

#### A. Cherubim

### Genesis 3:24 NLT

After sending them out, the Lord God stationed mighty cherubim to the east of the Garden of Eden. And he placed a flaming sword that flashed back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life.

### Exodus 37:6-9 NLT

<sup>6</sup> Then he made the Ark's cover—the place of atonement—from pure gold. It was 45 inches long and 27 inches wide. <sup>7</sup> He made two cherubim from hammered gold and placed them on the two ends of the atonement cover. <sup>8</sup> He molded the cherubim on each end of the atonement cover, making it all of one piece of gold. <sup>9</sup> The cherubim faced each other and looked down on the atonement cover. With their wings spread above it, they protected it.

### B. Seraphim

#### Isaiah 6:1-8 NLT

<sup>1</sup> It was in the year King Uzziah died that I saw the Lord. He was sitting on a lofty throne, and the train of his robe filled the Temple. <sup>2</sup> Attending him were mighty seraphim, each having six wings. With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. <sup>3</sup> They were calling out to each other, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Heaven's Armies! The whole earth is filled with his glory!" <sup>4</sup> Their voices shook the Temple to its foundations, and the entire building was filled with smoke. <sup>5</sup> Then I said, "It's all over! I am doomed, for I am a sinful man. I have filthy lips, and I live among a people with filthy lips. Yet I have seen the King, the Lord of Heaven's Armies." <sup>6</sup> Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. <sup>7</sup> He touched my lips with it and said, "See, this coal has touched your lips. Now your guilt is removed, and your sins are forgiven." <sup>8</sup> Then I heard the Lord asking, "Whom should I send as a messenger to this people? Who will go for us?" I said, "Here I am. Send me."

### C. Michael

## Daniel 12:1 NLT

"At that time Michael, the archangel who stands guard over your nation, will arise. Then there will be a time of anguish greater than any since nations first came into existence. But at that time every one of your people whose name is written in the book will be rescued.

## Daniel 10:12-14 NLT

<sup>12</sup> Then he said, "Don't be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day you began to pray for understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your request has been heard in heaven. I have come in answer to your prayer. <sup>13</sup> But for twenty-one days the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia blocked my way. Then Michael, one of the archangels, came to help me, and I left him there with the spirit prince of the kingdom of Persia. <sup>14</sup> Now I am here to explain what will happen to your people in the future, for this vision concerns a time yet to come."

## 1 Thessalonians 4:16 NLT

For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First, the believers who have died will rise from their graves.

# D. Gabriel

# Luke 1:13-19 NLT

<sup>13</sup> But the angel said, "Don't be afraid, Zechariah! God has heard your prayer. Your wife, Elizabeth, will give you a son, and you are to name him John. <sup>14</sup> You will have great joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth, <sup>15</sup> for he will be great in the eyes of the Lord. He must never touch wine or other alcoholic drinks. He will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even before his birth. <sup>16</sup> And he will turn many Israelites to the Lord their God. <sup>17</sup> He will be a man with the spirit and power of Elijah. He will prepare the people for the coming of the Lord. He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and he will cause those who are rebellious to accept the wisdom of the godly." <sup>18</sup> Zechariah said to the angel, "How can I be sure this will happen? I'm an old man now, and my wife is also well along in years." <sup>19</sup> Then the angel said, "I am Gabriel! I stand in the very presence of God. It was he who sent me to bring you this good news!

### E. Fallen Angels

### 2 Peter 2:4 NLT

For God did not spare even the angels who sinned. He threw them into hell, in gloomy pits of darkness, where they are being held until the day of judgment.

### Revelation 12:7-9 NLT

<sup>7</sup> Then there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon and his angels. <sup>8</sup> And the dragon lost the battle, and he and his angels were forced out of heaven. <sup>9</sup> This great dragon—the ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, the one deceiving the whole world—was thrown down to the earth with all his angels.

### Revelation 5:11-12 NLT

<sup>11</sup> Then I looked again, and I heard the voices of thousands and millions of angels around the throne and of the living beings and the elders. <sup>12</sup> And they sang in a mighty chorus: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slaughtered—to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and blessing."