

Behold! He Will Command His Angels! Matthew 2:13-23 December 29, 2019 – Pastor Eric Van Scharrel

"Behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until 1 tell you...'"

-Matthew 2:13

God <u>DEFENDS</u> me against all danger and guards and <u>PROTECTS</u> me from all evil.

Angel = "MESSENGER"

Sometimes a WARNING and sometimes PROMISE

Some angels <u>REBELLED</u> against God (2 Peter 2:4); these <u>HATE</u> God and seek to <u>DESTROY</u> all that is good, especially <u>FAITH</u> in Christ (Mark 5:9, Mark 4:15, John 8:44, 1 Peter 5:8-9).

"For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places." -Ephesians 6:12

God's angels are many (a <u>HOST</u>) and <u>POWERFUL</u>, <u>SERVING</u> God and <u>HELPING</u> us (Daniel 7:10, Luke 2:13, Psalm 91:11-12, Hebrews 1:14)

"A thousand thousands served Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him." -Daniel 7:10

Jesus' HUMANITY and God's PROTECTION.

When we try to be **INSULATED** from **EVIL**...

"He will command His angels concerning YOU." -Psalm 91:11