

Angels – what are they all about?!

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What Are Angels? - means 'messenger', 'intermediary'

Created 'spirit' beings of God: *Colossians 1:15-18 / Hebrews 1:14 / Psalm 8:4-5*

Made before creation of the earth – had part in making it: *Job 38:3-7 / Psalm 148:1-6*

A lot them! 100 million+? *Matthew 26:53 / Revelation 5:11*

Serve God and aren't omnipotent or omnipresent: *Mark 13:32*

Don't marry/pro-create, probably all created at the same time: *Matthew 22:30 / Luke 20: 34-36*

Not normally visible to our eyes: *2 Kings 6:17*

Can also appear as 'normal' people if God permits: *Genesis 18:1-8 / Mark 16:1-7*

Have free will – Satan and his followers rebelled! *Revelation 12:7-9*

What Do Angels Look Like? - See Chart

'Ordinary' Angels. No full description, but something special: *Judges 13:6 / Revelation 10:1*

Look like 'normal' people. 'tall young men with shining faces and wearing white simple robes':
Matthew 28:2-7 / Mark 16:1-7 / Luke 24:1-8

What Do Angels Do?

God's Messengers: *Luke 2:8-18 / Matthew 28:2-7 / Acts 10:1-8* (chief messenger – Gabriel)

Encouragers: *Judges 6:12 / Acts 12:7 / Acts 23:23-25*

God's Holy Warriors: *Revelation 12:7-9 / Ezekiel 28:11-19*

Watching History Unfold: *1 Corinthians 4:9 / Luke 15:7 / Daniel 4:13-17*

Praising & Worshipping God: *Revelation 7:11-12 / Revelation 5:11-12 / Psalms 148*

'Guardian Angels' protecting & Guiding people on behalf of God: *1 Kings 19:4-8 / Acts 5:17-20*

Nothing about 'personal' angels in the Bible. There for all Christians: *Hebrews 1:14 / Psalm 34:7*

Angelic protection for Children: *Matthew 18:10* Following Death: *Luke 16:19-31*

Named Angels and Other Angelic Beings

Michael - means 'Who is like God?' (notice the question mark). Great Warrior: *Revelation 12:7*

Guard on the nation of Israel: *Daniel 12:1* Michael is the only Archangel in the Bible: *Jude 9*

Gabriel - means 'God's Hero', God's messenger: *Daniel 8:15-17 / Luke 1:8-20 / Luke 1:26-38*

Archangels – In the Bible only Michael names as Archangel. Jewish trad, seven: *Revelation 8:2*

Seraphim - means “burning ones” or nobles. Also called 'ones of love'. Six wings (two to fly).

Role to constantly glorify and praise God: *Isaiah 6:1-7* Holy x3 means 'perfectly holy'.

Cherubim – Guardians. Surround the throne of God. Two wings, other description beyond understanding! *Ezekiel 1 / Ezekiel 10* Guarded Eden after the fall: *Genesis 3:24*

Associated with 'wheels': *Ezekiel 10:9-13* Also known as 'throne angels': *Psalm 99:1*

On ark of the covenant and in the temple: *Exodus 25:17-22 / 1 Kings 6:23-28*

Four Living Creatures – may be Seraphim, Cherubim or something different! *Revelation 4:6-10*

Satan / Lucifer / The Devil & Demons / Evil Spirits

Angelic Rebellion during creation. Lucifer fell and took about a third of angels with him:
Revelation 12:7-9 / Revelation 12:4

Lucifer (Morning Star) / Satan was the head angel: *Isaiah 14:12-15 / Ezekiel 28:11-19*

Satan (meaning Adversary or Enemy) is called: a dragon, someone who 'leads the world astray', the accuser, the 'lord of filth', a liar and the father of lies, a roaring lion looking for someone to eat, the 'prince of this world' and the 'god of this age'.

Demons / Evil Spirits / Unclean Spirits followed Satan and were cast out of Heaven.

They know/knew Jesus and his power: *Mark 1:22-28 / Mark 5:1-16*

Want us to turn away from God and will try every trick in the book! Work in the Occult.

1 John 4:1-3 / Revelation 16:13-14

Battle still happening today: *Ephesians 6:12* They won't win! *Matthew 25:41 / Revelation 20:1-3*

What Angels Look Like!

Type / Name	Appearance	Number	Role
'Ordinary' Angels	Handsome young men; NO wings!	Thousands +	Messengers, Jail breakers, rescuers, etc.
Archangel(s) / Michael	Handsome young men; NO wings!	Probably 1; Possibly 7	To protect the Jewish nation; Herald the Second coming
Gabriel	Handsome young man; NO wings!	Only him	God's special messenger
Seraphim / 'Ones of Love' / 'Fiery Ones'	6 wings: 2 covering face; 2 covering feet; 2 for flying	More than 1; Possibly 4?	Being around God's throne to sing His glory
Cherubim	4 wings, covered with eyes all around	More than 1; Possibly 4	To guard God's domain
The Four Living Creatures	6 wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under his wings	4	Being around God's throne to sing His glory
Lucifer / Satan / The Devil	Unknown	Only him	
Fallen Angels / Evil Spirits / Demons	Unknown	Thousands?	