



Bible Study Notes

Subject: Angels – Session #1 – Angels and the Bible

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HOW DOES THE WORLD LOOK AT ANGELS TODAY?

- Time Magazine Study revealed 69% believe in their existence, 46 % believe they have a guardian angel.
- Harvard divinity School once had an entire course on Angels.
- Boston College offered two courses.
- Angel Group – special prayer groups who pray for their angels

BIBLICAL PERSPECTIVE

- Found 108 times in the Bible
- Revelation: John writes he saw 10K angels; in another place John writes he saw 10K, 10K angels
- Their numbers is in the 100K.

WHAT DO ANGELS DO?

- Hebrews 1:14
- Psalms 91:11-12
- Genesis 19:15-17
- Judges 6:12
- Acts 12:7
- Matthew 2:19-20
- Luke 22:43

GUIDELINES FOR ANGELS

- They can never replace God in our life. They become an easy fix for those who do not want to bother God. Angels offer a form of spirituality devoid of Jesus and or God. Time magazine, “For those who choke too easily on God and His rules, angels are a handy compromise.
- Angels are a created class of beings and are never represented as spiritually progressed men. Angels do not age, nor do they spend time trying to “earn their wings”. They exist as they were created.
- They are not to be worshipped. Colossians 2:18. One reason angels are invisible to man is if we could see them, we would begin to worship them. We are never told to pray to angels.
- We do recognize them for who they are. There are two kinds. There are angels of God and there are angels of light. II Corinthians 11:14-15; I John 4:1

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

1. Have you ever had an encounter with an angel? How about a friend of family member? What was your reaction?
2. Have you ever felt the protection of an angel?
3. According to Hebrews 1:13-14, what is the purpose of angels?
4. Of the verses studied tonight, which one offered insight about angels to you?
5. Genesis 19:1-17. How were the angels serving Lot and his family?

Angels are not restricted by the laws of gravity and they can materialize without warning. Just because we cannot see them, it doesn't mean that they are not present or watching us. Luke 12:8-9