Angelology

Part 1



According to the Bible, ANGELS:

- 1. Exist
- 2. Were created by God

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...before Genesis 1 (Job 38:4-7)
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...during Genesis 1 (Gen. 1:1; Exod. 20:11; Ps. 148:2-5; Gen. 2:1)
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- 3. Were created as angels
 - Not human
 - Not divine

According to the Bible, ANGELS:

- 4. Are numerically constant
 - Do not reproduce
 - Never die
 - God finished His creation work

Col. 1:16 (ESV)

"For by Him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through Him and for Him."

Job 38:4-7 (ESV)

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. (5) Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? (6)On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, (7) when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?"

Gen. 1:1 (ESV)

"In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth."

2 Cor. 12:2 (ESV)

"I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows."

Jer. 23:24 (NASB)

"Can a person hide himself in hiding places so that I do not see him?' declares the LORD. 'Do I not fill the heavens and the earth?' declares the LORD."

Exod. 20:11 (NASB)

"For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and made it holy."

Ps. 148:2-5 (ESV)

"Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts! (3) Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars! (4)Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! (5)Let them praise the name of the LORD! For He commanded and they were created."

Gen. 2:1 (ESV)

"Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them."

1 Kings 22:19 (ESV)

"And Micaiah said, 'Therefore hear the word of the LORD: I saw the LORD sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing beside Him on His right hand and on His left'"

Heb 1:14 (NIV)

"Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?"

Heb. 12:22-23 (ESV)

"But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, (23) and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect"

Rev. 19:10 (ESV)

"Then I fell down at his feet to worship him, but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God...'"

Rev. 22:8-9 (ESV)

"I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I heard and saw them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who showed them to me, (9) but he said to me, 'You must not do that! I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers the prophets, and with those who keep the words of this book. Worship God."

Josh. 5:13-15 (NAS)

"Now it came about when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, a man was standing opposite him with his sword drawn in his hand, and Joshua went to him and said to him, "Are you for us or for our adversaries?" (14)He said, 'No; rather I indeed come now as captain of the host of the LORD.' And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and bowed down, and said to him, 'What has my lord to say to his servant?' (15)The captain of the LORD'S host said to Joshua, 'Remove your sandals from your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy.' And Joshua did so.

Luke 20:34-36 (ESV)

"And Jesus said to them, 'The sons of this age marry and are given in marriage, (35) but those who are considered worthy to attain to that age and to the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage, (36) for they cannot die anymore, because they are equal to angels and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection."

Gen 2:3 (ESV)

"So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all His work that He had done in creation."

John 5:17 (ESV)

"But Jesus answered them, 'My Father is working until now, and I am working.'"

WHAT IS JESUS DOING NOW?

- 1. HOLDS all things together // Col. 1:16-17
- 2. HEAD of His church // Eph. 1:22-23
- 3. GROOM of His church // Eph. 5:32
- 4. BUILDING His church // Matt. 16:18
- 5. Gives SPIRITUAL GIFTS // Eph. 4:7-8; 1 Cor. 12:7
- 6. HIGH PRIEST after Melchizedek // Heb. 6:20
- 7. KEEPS His people // John 10:27-29; 1 Pet. 1:5
- 8. INTERCEDES for us // Rom. 8:34; Heb. 7:25
- 9. RESTORES broken fellowship // 1 John 1:9
- 10. DEFENDS His people // Heb. 9:24
- 11. PREPARES a place for us // John 14:1-3