

Foundations

Series #9

Angelology (the Doctrine of Angels) – Part 3

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Read Hebrews 1:14

INTRODUCTION

In this sermon, I want to draw back the curtain of the seen world and remind you of a profound and often forgotten reality—the realm of angels.

We live our lives surrounded by the tangible, the visible, and the physical. Yet, that is the least of our reality. The greatest part of our reality we cannot see. The spiritual world is vast and eternal.

We navigate our days based on what our eyes see and what our hands touch. But Scripture tells us that beyond the veil of our senses lies an invisible world filled with celestial

beings—angels—sent by God Himself, engaged in divine ministry, and intricately involved in our lives.

- Yet, how often do we live as if we are entirely alone?
- How often do we struggle, fear, and toil as if God has left us to fend for ourselves?

But the Word of God shouts a different story. **Hebrews 1:14** asks a rhetorical question with an astounding answer: "*Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?*"

These angels are not distant spectators. They are not mythological figures. They are real, powerful, purposeful, and dispatched from the throne room of God to serve you and me—the heirs of salvation!

Have you ever considered what angels think of us? These beings, who have seen the unfiltered holiness of God, who watched Lucifer and a third of the angels fall, and who behold the majesty of Heaven—what do they think when they look upon us, frail and fallen as we are?

The Apostle Peter tells us that the mystery of the Gospel—the redemption of sinful humanity—is something "*which things the angels desire to look into*" (**1 Peter 1:12**).

Imagine that! Angels marvel at the grace of God extended to us. They marvel because they know the weight of sin and the holiness of God far better than we do, and yet they witness the immeasurable love of God poured out on us through Christ – and they stand in awe at the love God has for us.

Today, as we continue our study on Angelology and our final sermon on the subject, we are going to explore our relationship to these celestial beings. What is their role in our lives? How do they interact with us?

Perhaps most importantly, how should we respond to this reality? My hope and prayer is that as we dig into God's Word, you will leave today with a greater awareness of the spiritual realities around you, a deeper gratitude for God's provision, and a renewed confidence that you are never alone.

Let us step boldly into the unseen, trusting that God's angels are with us, even in this room with us this morning—ministering, protecting, and fighting on our behalf—as we journey toward our eternal home.

So onto our first point...

OUR RELATIONSHIP TO ANGELS

What is our relationship to these celestial beings? What do they think of us? How do they interact with us? We live in a world saturated with the invisible, a world where the seen is only a fraction of reality.

Beyond the veil of our senses lies a realm of celestial beings—angels, ministers of God's will, and witnesses to His glory.

Yet, often, we live as if we are alone, as if the only realities are those we can touch, taste, and see. But Scripture is clear: these beings are not only real but are deeply concerned with

us. So, let's briefly explore our relationship with these celestial beings and how they interact with us.

Angels are not Mythical Creatures nor Mere Symbols

They are real, created beings who serve the purposes of God.

Hebrews 1:14 asks, *"Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"*

Angels are servants of God, but their service is intimately connected to us, the heirs of salvation. They are commissioned by God to serve, protect, and even fight for those who belong to Christ, His joint-heirs, His adopted brothers and sisters – in other words, us.

Can you imagine how seriously and earnestly they take this responsibility – serving, protecting, and fighting for Jesus' adopted brothers and sisters, the literal family of their Creator and Lord?

Now, What Do Angels Think of Us?

Angels marvel at the grace of God extended to us. They have witnessed the holiness of God firsthand, and they know the gravity of sin. Yet, they also see the astounding love and mercy that God has shown to fallen humanity.

1 Peter 1:12 tells us that the things revealed through the gospel are *"which things the angels desire to look into."* Isn't that verse amazing? If you think about it for any length of time it is absolutely amazing.

One old commentator had these thoughtful comments on this statement in I Peter 1:12:

“It is indeed the highest praise to the gospel, that it contains treasures of wisdom, as yet concealed and hidden from angels.... Thus daily they see with admiration the magnificent works of God in the government of his church. How much greater will their admiration be, at witnessing the last display of divine justice, when the kingdom of Christ shall be completed! This is as yet hidden, the revelation of which they still expect and justly wish to see... the treasure we have in the gospel fills the angels with a desire to see it, as it is a sight especially delightful to them.”¹

Why do the Angels Marvel?

Because, in Christ, God has done something for us that He did not do for them. When Lucifer and the other angels fell, there was no redemption for them.

But for us, fallen humans, God sent His only begotten Son to die in our place, to redeem us from the curse of the law (Galatians 3:13).

The angels are in awe of this grace, and they rejoice when even one sinner repents (**Luke 15:10** - *Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth*).

¹ (Calvin, 1974)

How Do Angels Interact with Us?

The Bible is replete with examples of angels interacting with God's people. They are not distant observers but active participants in God's plan. Consider **Hebrews 13:2** "*Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.*"

Angels can take on human form, visiting and assisting God's people in ways that are often beyond our understanding.

The Lord Himself testified to this in **Matthew 18:10**, saying, "*Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of My Father which is in heaven.*"

Angels are assigned to care for God's people, and they report directly to the Father in Heaven. What a comfort to know that God's celestial army is ever-watchful, ever-present, and ever-fulfilling God's will in our lives!

Our Relationship with Angels is Unique

As believers, our relationship with angels is one of mutual service under the Lordship of Christ. We both are to serve God. Both man and angels are tasked with serving God – but in very different ways.

One way Angels serve God is by serving us. One way we are to serve God is by advancing His kingdom. Angels and man alike can echo and should echo the words of Jesus in **Matthew 6:10**, "*Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.*"

But in a way, what we both do, angels and man, for God has that one joint overarching goal, and that is to advance God's kingdom and bring glory to Him.

Revelation 6:10 says, *"Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created."*

And **I Corinthians 10:31** says, *"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."*

We must be clear on a key point: we do not worship angels, nor do we seek their guidance apart from God's Word. **Colossians 2:18** warns us: *"Let no man beguile you of your reward in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels, intruding into those things which he hath not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind."*

Angels are our fellow servants, and we look forward to the day when, in the fullness of God's Kingdom, we will join them in eternal worship before the throne of God.

But until that day, we live in the assurance that they are with us, that they have our back, you could say, aiding us in our pilgrimage, rejoicing in our salvation, and glorifying God for His grace in our lives.

Praise God! We are not alone! *"What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31).* The hosts of Heaven, led by God Himself, are for us and with us, and fighting against the evil forces all around us, on our behalf.

As we walk in faith, may we be ever mindful of the unseen world around us, where angels serve the purposes of God in our lives. Let us live in a way that reflects the glory of the gospel, a gospel that even the angels long to look into, knowing that:

- in Christ, we are never forsaken,
- in Christ we are never forgotten,
- and in Christ we are always protected.

We need to be so thankful for the fact of knowing that God is with us, that He sent His holy angels to be ministering spirits for us. We are not alone.

Let's be so thankful for that, for spiritual warfare is very real. Evil and wickedness are very real, and the Devil and his angels want nothing better than to:

- destroy our lives,
- destroy our testimonies,
- destroy our families,
- and destroy everything about us.

Now to our next point...

GUARDIAN ANGELS

As we journey through this world, surrounded by spiritual warfare and the brokenness of sin, it is a comfort beyond measure to know that we are not alone. Our Heavenly

Father, in His infinite wisdom and love, has appointed celestial beings—angels—to watch over us.

With this point, we turn our attention to these mysterious guardians, sent by God to minister to His people. We will explore what the Scriptures say about these guardian angels, focusing on the protection afforded to children and the broader application to all believers.

Turn with me to Matthew 18:10

What of the concept of guardian angels? Does Scripture support the idea that each believer has an angel specifically assigned to them?

First, Let's Start with Guardian Angels for Children

Let us begin with the most direct evidence of guardian angels, specifically in relation to children. In **Matthew 18:10**, Jesus gives us a glimpse into the care God has for the little ones: *“Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of My Father which is in heaven.”*

This verse is profound. Jesus is not just speaking about any angels, but *“their angels.”* This possessive language suggests a special assignment, a direct relationship between these children and their guardian angels.

And these angels, Jesus tells us, continually behold the face of the Father. This indicates that they are not only close to God but that they are deeply invested in the well-being of these children. They stand ready, at God's command, to protect, guide, and intervene on behalf of the little ones.

Now What About the Rest of Us?

Does Scripture support the idea that all Christians might have guardian angels? While the Bible does not explicitly state that each believer is assigned a guardian angel, it does strongly imply that angelic protection is part of God's provision for all His children.

Turn with me to Acts 12

We must consider Acts 12:5-11, where Peter is imprisoned by Herod, and the church prays fervently for him. In response, an angel of the Lord appears, releasing Peter from his chains and leading him out of the prison.

Peter initially thinks he is seeing a vision, but upon realizing that it was real, he declares, “*Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent His angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod.*” (**Acts 12:11**). The key words here are “*sent his angel.*”

This account shows that God dispatches His angels to protect His people in times of great need, distress, or discouragement.

While this is not a specific reference to a personal guardian angel, it reflects a broader principle that God uses angels to intervene in the lives of believers, providing protection and deliverance.

Now turn with me to Psalm 34:7

Another compelling verse is **Psalm 34:7**, “*The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear Him, and*

delivereth them.” This passage suggests that angelic protection is not limited to children or special circumstances but is a reality for all who fear the Lord, “*encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them.*” The angel of the Lord “encamps” around those who are His, providing a constant, protective presence.

How Do Guardian Angels Operate?

Turn with me to II Kings 6:16-17

The Scriptures suggest that angels are dispatched by God to fulfill His purposes. In some cases, this may involve a specific angel assigned to a believer for a lifetime, much like the angels who watch over children. In other cases, it may involve angels being sent for specific situations, as in Peter’s deliverance from prison.

The idea that each believer might have more than one angel is also possible. In 2 Kings 6:16-17, Elisha’s servant is terrified by the sight of an enemy army surrounding them.

But Elisha prays, “*And he answered, Fear not: for they that be with us are more than they that be with them. And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see.*” And when the LORD opened the servant’s eyes, “*he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.*” (2 Kings 6:16-17).

This army of angels was there to protect the prophet. This passage reminds us that God’s protection is not limited to one angel but to an entire host if necessary. God may

sometimes send one angel to protect you, but sometimes He may send an army of angels to protect you.

The ministry of guardian angels is a testimony to God's love and care for His people. While we must never elevate angels to the level of Christ or seek to communicate with them apart from God's will, we should be comforted and encouraged by their presence.

They are ministering spirits sent by God to serve those who will inherit salvation. They protect, they guide, and they deliver us according to God's purposes.

We are not alone. God's angels are with us, encamped around us, bearing us up in their hands. And above all, let us give thanks to our Savior, Jesus Christ, whose blood has secured not only our redemption but the watchful care of His heavenly hosts.

NOW, THE ANGEL OF THE LORD

The Scripture gives us glimpses of a mystery—one that pulls back the veil of time before Christ took on flesh. The Old Testament is filled with appearances of a mysterious figure known as “*the Angel of the Lord*,” and as we delve into these texts, we will see that this Angel, the Angel of the Lord, is not a mere created being but a divine manifestation—indeed, the pre-incarnate Christ Himself.

These appearances, often called Christophanies, reveal the eternal nature of our Savior and the continuity of God's redemptive plan from Genesis to Revelation.

Who Is the Angel of the Lord?

Turn with me to Exodus 3:2-6

The term "*Angel of the Lord*" appears throughout the Old Testament, and it is crucial to understand that this title does not merely refer to an ordinary angel. The Hebrew word for "angel" (מַלְאָךְ, *malak*) simply means "messenger," but in many instances, the Angel of the Lord is identified as God Himself – not in all cases, but in many cases.

One of the clearest examples is found in **Exodus 3:2-6**, where Moses encounters the Angel of the Lord in the burning bush: *“And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked, and, behold, the bush burned with fire, and the bush was not consumed. And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. And when the LORD saw that he turned aside to see, God called unto him out of the midst of the bush, and said, Moses, Moses. And he said, Here am I. And he said, Draw not nigh hither: put off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground. Moreover he said, I am the God of thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. And Moses hid his face; for he was afraid to look upon God.”*

Notice the progression in this passage: The Angel of the Lord appears, but it is God Himself who speaks. The Angel is not a mere messenger but God in visible form. This appearance in the burning bush was no ordinary angelic visitation—it was a Christophany, a pre-incarnate appearance of the Lord Jesus Christ.

How Can We be Sure that the Angel of the Lord is the Pre-incarnate Christ?

We must compare Scripture with Scripture. We must look at several key characteristics that point to this truth.

First, the Angel of the Lord receives worship. In **Joshua 5:13-15**, Joshua encounters a figure identified as the "*captain of the host of the LORD*." When Joshua falls on his face and worships, the figure does not rebuke him but instead instructs Joshua to remove his shoes, for the place where he stands is holy.

This is a direct parallel to Moses's encounter with the Angel of the Lord in the burning bush. Ordinary angels, such as those in Revelation 22:8-9, refuse worship, directing it only to God. But this Angel accepts worship because He is divine – He is the preincarnate Christ.

Second, the Angel of the Lord speaks as God. In Genesis 22:11-12, as Abraham prepares to sacrifice Isaac, the Angel of the Lord calls out to him, saying, "*Lay not thine hand upon the lad, neither do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that thou fearest God, seeing thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from Me.*" (**Genesis 22:12**).

Here, the Angel speaks as God, saying, "*from Me*," indicating that He is not a mere representative, but God Himself.

Third, the Angel of the Lord possesses the attributes of God. In Judges 13:17-18, when Manoah, the father of Samson, asks the Angel of the Lord for His name, the Angel responds,

“Why askest thou thus after My name, seeing it is secret?”
(Judges 13:18).

Now, the word "secret" in Hebrew (סֵּתֵר, *pili*) also means "wonderful," the same word is used in Isaiah 9:6 to describe the Messiah: *“And His name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace”* **(Isaiah 9:6).**

The Angel of the Lord's name is beyond comprehension because He is none other than the eternal Son of God.

These Appearances Reveal the Continuity of Christ's Work in Redemption

These Christophanies are not isolated events; they reveal the continuity of Christ's work in redemption from eternity past to His incarnation and beyond.

Jesus Himself, in **John 8:58**, declared, *“Before Abraham was, I am.”* This is a direct claim to divinity, echoing the very name of God revealed to Moses in the burning bush.

What Does this Mean for Us?

It means that Jesus has always been the Mediator between God and man. He was there in the Old Testament, guiding, protecting, and revealing God's will to His people.

And He is here now, having taken on flesh, lived a sinless life, died on the cross, and risen from the dead to secure our salvation.

The same Christ who appeared as the Angel of the Lord is the one who now intercedes for us at the right hand of the

Father. *Hebrews 13:8* declares, “*Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever.*” His love, His power, and His purpose have not changed.

What is the Significance of Christophanies for Believers

Understanding the Angel of the Lord as a Christophany enriches our faith in several ways.

First, it deepens our appreciation of Christ’s eternal nature and His unchanging commitment to our redemption. From the very beginning, He has been intimately involved in the salvation of His people.

Second, it shows us that the God who appeared to Abraham, Moses, and Joshua is the same God we worship today. There is a beautiful consistency in God's character and His dealings with humanity, underscoring His faithfulness.

Third, it assures us of Christ’s preeminence. The Angel of the Lord did not come merely as a messenger but as the Lord Himself, prefiguring the incarnation when the Word became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:14). This preeminence means that Christ is sufficient for all our needs, both in this life and in the life to come.

As we meditate on the Angel of the Lord, let us be awed by the mystery and majesty of our Savior. He is the same yesterday, He is the same today, and He is the same forever—uncreated, eternal, and sovereign.

- The One who guided Israel through the wilderness is the same One who guides us now.

- The One who stood with Joshua before Jericho is the same One who stands with us in our battles.
- The One who met Abraham, Moses, and Gideon is the same One who meets us in our need.
- The One who laid down His life on Mount Calvary is the same One who empowers us to live today and will lead us into eternal glory.

Let us worship Him. Let us reverence Him. Let us praise Him with awe, knowing that He has been working out our salvation from the beginning and will bring it to completion in the day of His return.

Now, our next point is not so pleasant, it is one of those subjects we do not like to dwell on...

THE HOLY ANGELS OF JUDGMENT

The Word of God calls us to behold a reality that is both terrifying and true—the reality of God’s impending judgment on this world. As I speak, I am compelled by the Spirit to plead with you, to urge you to consider the fate of your soul in light of the certain and swift judgment that God will execute upon all mankind.

The Bible is not silent about this. The Bible, God’s living Word, speaks with a clear and resounding voice—about the angels who will execute God’s righteous wrath upon this earth.

Angels are Agents of God’s Judgment

From the very beginning, angels have been instruments of God's judgment. When Adam and Eve fell, it was a cherubim with a flaming sword who guarded the way to the tree of life, barring the way back to Eden (Genesis 3:24).

In the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, two angels were sent by God to destroy those wicked cities, raining down fire and brimstone from the heavens (Genesis 19:13, 24). These are not merely stories of the past:

- they are true history,
- they are warnings,
- they are echoes of a greater judgment to come.

The Bible portrays angels as swift, powerful, and unstoppable in carrying out the judgments of God. When David sinned by numbering the people, it was an angel of the Lord who brought a plague upon Israel, and seventy thousand men perished in a single day (2 Samuel 24:15-16). And yet, this is but a shadow of what is to come, for the book of Revelation unveils a far more dreadful scene.

Turn with me to Revelation chapter 8

In Revelation, the veil is pulled back, and we are given a glimpse into the final outpouring of God's wrath upon a rebellious world. In Revelation, angels appear repeatedly as the executors of God's judgment, bringing devastation upon the earth, sea, and sky.

First, we see the Seven Trumpet Angels in Revelation 8 and 9. Each trumpet blast unleashes a plague of judgment upon the earth:

- **Revelation 8:7** says, *“The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.”*
- **Revelation 8:8** says, *“The second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood.”*
- Now, over one chapter, **Revelation 9:1** says, *“The fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.”*

These judgments are catastrophic, affecting one-third of the earth, the sea, and even the light of the sun and stars. But the horror intensifies as the sixth trumpet sounds:

- **Revelation 9:15-16**, *“And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year, for to slay the third part of men. And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.”*

The death and destruction that follow are incomprehensible, yet this is the righteous judgment of God. These angels do

not act on their own—they are sent by the Almighty, and they execute His will with terrifying precision.

Now turn to Revelation chapter 16

In Revelation 16, we encounter the Seven Vial Angels, each pouring out a bowl of God's wrath upon the earth:

- **Revelation 16:2** says, *“And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.”*
- **Revelation 16:8-9**, *“And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give Him glory.”*
- **Revelation 16:17** says, *“And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.”*

The culmination of these judgments is the final destruction of Babylon, that great city that represents the world's rebellion against God. In **Revelation 18:21**, we read: *“And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.”*

This Leads us to an Urgent Call for Repentance

These are not mere symbols or allegories—these are the dreadful realities of God’s wrath that will be poured out upon a sinful world.

- And I must ask you today, where do you stand in relation to this judgment?
- Are you ready to face the wrath of God?
- Have you fled to Christ, the only refuge from the storm of His judgment?

In 1980, there is told of a small community of people that was nestled in the valley of a great mountain in the state of Washington. Many in the area had grown comfortable over the years, living in the shadow of that mountain, even as small tremors shook the ground beneath their feet.

Scientists warned of an impending eruption—signs were everywhere—but many people continued their lives as if nothing were wrong. Nothing had ever been wrong; everything had always been fine with that mountain. They had grown complacent, apathetic even to the potential danger.

One day, the sirens blared. Officials rushed through, pleading with everyone to evacuate immediately. Some heeded the call and fled to safety. But others scoffed, saying, “We’ve heard this warning before. Nothing has happened yet. Why should we believe it now?”

Moments later, the ground split open. One-third of that mountain blasted away. The once-quiet mountain exploded with molten fury and what they call a pyroclastic flow.

Lava and that flow rushed down the slopes, consuming everything in its path – almost instantly incinerating the people that were still there, the people that ignored the repeated warnings of the danger, the warnings of their sure death if they did not get saved from the impending doom

Those who had ignored the warnings found themselves trapped, with no escape. Their chance to be saved was gone—forever. They burned up that day and immediately went into the fire of Hell for eternity – if Jesus was not their Savior.

God has given you warnings. He has sounded the alarm through His Word, through His Spirit, through the preaching of the Gospel.

You never know when your last chance to get right with God will be. The day of grace will not last forever. Don't be like those who ignored the warning and were overtaken by the fire. Run to Christ today—while there is still time!

God's Judgment is Certain!

His justice is uncompromising. The same God who sent angels to destroy Sodom, who sent plagues upon Egypt, who brought fire upon rebellious Israel—this same God will one day pour out His wrath upon the whole earth. And there is only one escape—only one hope.

The Gospel of Jesus Christ is the glorious light that shines in the darkness of this coming judgment. The Bible says in ***Romans 5:9***, “*Much more then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.*”

I Corinthians 15:3-4 says, “*For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.*”

Oh, how marvelous is the mercy of God! Though we deserve nothing but His wrath, He has made a way for us to be saved. The blood of Christ, shed on Calvary’s cross, is sufficient to cover every sin, to cleanse every stain, to turn away the wrath of God.

But you must come to Him! You must repent of your sins and believe the Gospel.

Jesus Himself said, “*He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.*” (***John 3:36***). There is no middle ground—either you are under the wrath of God or you are sheltered by the blood of Christ.

Do not delay! The angels of judgment are ready, the wrath of God is imminent, and your soul hangs in the balance. Humble yourself before the Lord, cry out to Him for mercy, and He will save you.

Flee to Christ, for He is your only hope. Embrace the Gospel, for it is the power of God unto salvation.

And know this—if you are in Christ, there is no condemnation for you, no wrath, no judgment, only the sweet promise of eternal life in the presence of God.

CONCLUSION

As we draw to a close, let us remember that we live in a world where the visible is only a fraction of reality. The Bible pulls back the veil, showing us that the unseen realm is teeming with activity.

Angels are not distant, passive observers. When fear grips your heart, remember that God’s angels are encamped around you, as *Psalm 34:7* says: “*The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them.*”

- When you feel isolated and alone, remind yourself that you are never truly alone.
- When you are tempted to sin, remember that the angels of God are witnesses.
- When you choose righteousness, they rejoice.
- When you share the Gospel, they marvel at the grace of God extended to sinners.

In spiritual warfare, we are not fighting alone. The hosts of Heaven stand ready, and our prayers unleash God’s power in the heavenly places.

Finally, let us always keep our eyes on Christ. Our focus must remain on Jesus, “*the author and finisher of our faith*” (*Hebrews 12:2*).

As you walk through this world, do so with the confidence that the unseen is as real as the seen. You are not alone. God is with you, His angels are around you, and His Spirit is within you.

“What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?” (Romans 8:31). Go forth in this truth, living boldly, praying fervently, and trusting wholly in the God who commands the heavenly host.