
Angels
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The ministry of angels is a very valid ministry today. I believe we will see it increase as we approach the new millennium. As you read Hebrews chapter one and into the second chapter, you will notice that the subject matter does not change. He continues on about Jesus and angels and admonishes us not to let this information slip away from us.

> **But to which of the angels said he at any time. Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool? Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation? (Hebrews 1:13-14)**

> **Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let *them* slip. (Hebrews 2:1)**

What have we just heard by reading verse 14? That the angels are all ministering spirits sent forth on the Earth to minister for us who are the heirs of salvation. We should give more earnest heed to the fact that Jesus is greater than angels and that angels were created to minister for us.

> **For if the word spoken by angels was stedfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompense of reward; How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*? (Hebrews 2:2-3)**

Notice the question in verse 3: **"How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?"** We have always interpreted this Scripture to say: "How are you going to escape hell if you neglect the salvation made available to us through the blood of Jesus?" But this verse seems to be saying more than that, it is not specifically referring to being born again in the context.

The word "salvation" here means

"preservation, healing, soundness, and deliverance from temporal evils." This verse at least by double reference, seems to be referring to the deliverance from temporal evils that comes by the ministry of angels. How are you going to escape on this Earth if you neglect the great deliverance that is available by angelic beings? The ministry of angels is available to us today. God provided this deliverance for us. But it's like any other provision God has made: Unless you believe it and act on it, you will may never receive the full benefit of what was provided. If you don't believe in the ministry of angels, you may not receive the benefit of this ministry even though they are here to minister for you.

Psalm 91 is a message of deliverance from temporal evils and destruction. The following verse gives us Scriptural insight into angelic deliverance, and it is still available today. We should confess the Scriptures daily for Psalm 103:20 tells us that angels do His commandments and harken to the voice of God's Word. Your job is to give voice to His Word with <u>your</u> mouth. I believe angels listen

to our words to see if they agree with God's Word before they get involved in the affairs of our lives.

Several years ago, while teaching on the subject of angels, the spirit of prophecy came on me. I started saying some things prophetically about that church. I knew that angels had been involved in acquiring the church building. I heard myself say: "The angels are not through, they were going to become more involved because the people have released them." Then I pointed to the pastor and said, "Angels will appear to you, and they will talk with you."

When the anointing lifted, my head gave me trouble over that statement, and I thought, *why did I say that?* Several months later the pastor told me that they were working on matters pertaining to the church, and they were having some severe problems. He was in another city holding a meeting and was in a motel room praying in the Spirit, getting ready for the service. He turned around, and there stood two angels dressed in armor and holding swords. The armor had marks on it like they had been doing

battle. When he asked what they were doing there, they said, “We have come to help you with your church's financial matters if you tell us to.” Well, it didn't take him long to say, “Go, do it, in Jesus' name.” As soon as he said that, they disappeared.

The next day he received a phone call from his church office and learned that the problem which had been giving them so much trouble was all settled. Not long after that, a man called, gave him 900 acres of land. They had a note due on their building and had to come up with the money quickly, or they would lose everything. They needed $300,000 more than they had in their account, and it was due on Monday. Sunday morning a man walked into his office and laid down two checks which added up to exactly the amount that they needed.

Somebody asks, “Why doesn’t that ever happen to me?” Have you kept God’s Word in your mouth? Have you ever said, “Ministering spirits, go and cause God’s Word to be performed in my behalf?” The reason we don’t see more angelic assistance is because

we've let these things slip from us.

A Thousand May Fall, But It Won't Come Near You

David, in Psalm 91, wrote what I believe is a prophetic message to this end-time generation:

> **I will say of the LORD, *He is* my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, *and* from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth *shall be thy* shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; *nor* for the arrow *that* flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence *that* walketh in darkness; *nor* for the destruction *that* wasteth at noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; *but* it shall not come nigh thee. (Psalms 91:2-7)**

Sometimes people will say, "I know what the Bible said, but Brother So-and-so believed that way, and he got run over by a freight train." I'm sorry about

Brother So-and-so, but maybe he didn't appropriate the promise. A person can know about it and still not appropriate it.

There are some who will say, "I know the Scripture, but you see So-and-so tried it that way, and he failed." But Psalm 91:7 says, **"A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; *but* it shall not come nigh thee."**

If someone gave you the names and addresses of 9,999 who failed the same way, your answer should be "... but it still won't come nigh me! For God has given His angels charge over me, and they keep me in all my ways!" Just say what God said about it. Don't base your faith on the experience of others. You can't always tell what they believed or where they missed it. But you can be sure that God's Word didn't fail.

> **Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because thou hast made the LORD, *which is* my refuge, *even* the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any**

> **plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in *their* hands, lest thou dash thy foot against a stone. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name. (Psalms 91:8-12, 14)**

There are so many Christians who don't know God's Name. They don't know Him as El Shaddai, the all-sufficient one, the God Who is more than enough. He is Jehovah-Rapha, the Lord that healeth thee, but so many don't know know Him as Jehovah-Rapha.

> **He shall call upon me, and I will answer him: I *will be* with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honour him. With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation. (Psalms 91:15-16)**

The word "salvation" in Romans 10:9 and Hebrews 2:3 means "preservation, healing, soundness, and especially deliverance from temporal evils." How shall we escape if we

neglect the deliverance that comes by the ministry of angels? The ministry of angels is part of the deliverance that God has provided for you. It's foolish to partake in one part of it and not partake in the other part. There are Christians all over the world who partake of the new birth, but don't believe in healing. There are others who believe in healing and the new birth, but don't believe in prosperity. Second Peter 1:3 says, **"He has given unto us ... all things that *pertain* unto life and godliness..."**

He has already given it! But you must believe it and make a demand on the provision.

Part of that salvation (deliverance) that God has provided comes by the ministry of angels. He said, **"With long life will I satisfy him, and shew him my salvation."** (Psalms 91:16)

Angels want very much to get involved in your physical affairs—in your home, in your business, in every aspect of your life. They are ministering spirits of God here on Earth to minister for you or assist you in life.

ANGELS ARE LISTENING

As I was praying one day, the Spirit of God began to speak to my spirit. Here are some of the things He said to me about angels and how they operate in our behalf.

"You have been wanting to know about confession and why it works. You have been speaking the Word and putting it into motion. You have been saying what My Word said, now I am going to share with you why it works."

"One reason the words you speak are so important is because the angels are listening to what you say. Most people think I tell the angels everything they are to do; but most of the time they are the ones who give them their assignment. I designed them as ministering spirits. They stand beside you daily, listening to the words that come out of your mouth. If your words are in line with My Word, then the angels have an assignment and they go to work in your behalf."

"But if you speak things that are contrary to My Word, you won't get an audience with angels. They won't

operate on those words." (Psalms 103:20; Luke 12:8-9)

"Words spoken contrary to My Word will hinder the angels from working in your behalf. They will back off and fold their hands. They are designed as ministering spirits to minister for you. They listen to your words to see if your words agree with my Word. My Word is My will for man. You should always speak in line with My Word in order for My will to come to pass in your life. Man was designed to speak truth, and My Word is Truth."

Then I remembered the words of Jesus in Matthew 5:37, **"But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil."** Jesus taught that man should speak his will and not bring foolish words into the conversation. Matthew 12:34-37:

> **O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh. A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things: and an evil**

> **man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things. But I say unto you, That every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned.**

There are many instances in the Bible of people who received supernatural deliverance by the ministry of angels. Their assistance is still available today. So make a decision to not let this truth slip from you. There are an hundred billion angels available to minister for us who are heirs of salvation. (Revelation 5:11; Hebrews 1:14)

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