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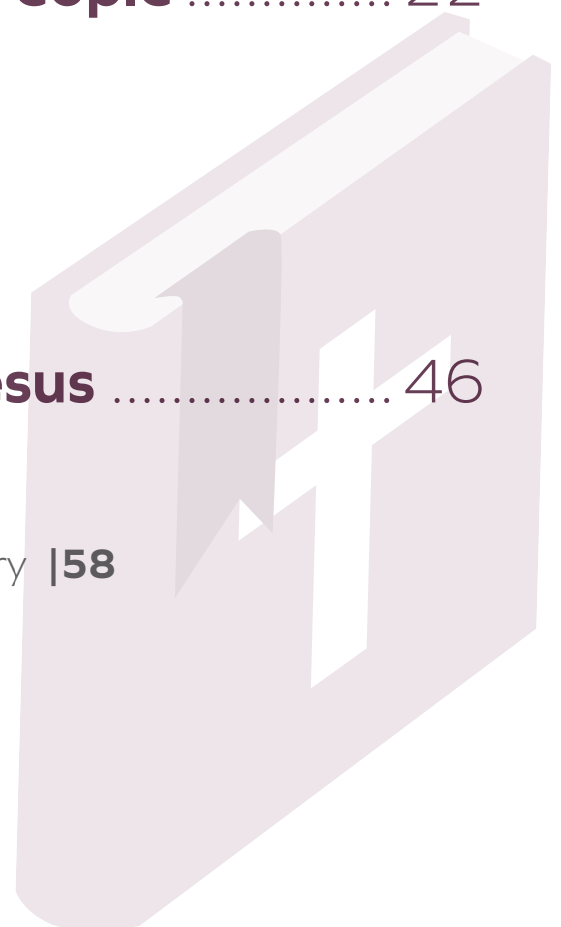
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# ANGELS

In this LIFEPAK®, you will learn about how angels love, worship, and serve God by helping Him minister to people and pointing the way to Jesus Christ.

Angels are not at our command; God commands them. God created angels and humanity to love, worship, serve, and obey Him; therefore, He forbids us to pray to or worship angels or anyone else. The First Commandment reads, “Thou shalt have no other gods before me” (*Exodus 20:3*). The Apostle John said, “And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which shewed me these things. Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God” (*Revelation 22:8–9*). Indeed, we are to worship God by loving, honoring, serving, and worshipping His Son. The Apostle Paul said, “For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time” (*1 Timothy 2:5–6*).

God created humanity just a little bit lower than angels. King David wrote, “When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour” (*Psalms 8:3–5*).

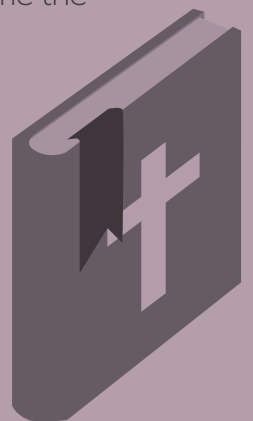
If angels preach another gospel than that Jesus is the Messiah God sent to save humanity from its sins, they are not to be listened to. Paul wrote, “But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed” (*Galatians 1:8*).

In heaven, we will judge the deeds of angels. Paul wrote in *1 Corinthians 6:3*, “Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain to this life?” There is only one way to be forgiven, and that is through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

## Objectives

**Read these objectives.** The objectives tell you what you will be able to do when you have successfully completed this LIFEPAAC. Each section will list according to the numbers below what objectives will be met in that section. When you have finished this LIFEPAAC, you should be able to:

1. Know what angels are.
2. Name four characteristics of angels.
3. Describe the kinds of angels.
4. Name at least two important angels that are mentioned in the Bible.
5. Know the “armor of God” and two other means that Christians have to overcome the powers of evil and darkness.
6. Describe at least three appearances of angels in the Old Testament.
7. Describe at least three appearances of angels in the early church after Jesus’ earthly ministry as written in the New Testament.
8. Describe four ways that angels help us today.
9. Know when angels appeared just before, during, and soon after the birth of Jesus.
10. Describe at least three times how angels were involved during the public ministry of Jesus and at the end of His earthly ministry.



# 1. ANGELS ARE REAL

God **created** everything that exists. Many of the things that God has created can be seen. They have substance or matter in them, such as trees, rocks, stars, plants, animals, and people. Other things that God created cannot be seen. They are invisible and do not have substance. They are **spirit**. *Angels* are spirits; therefore, they do not have a body. Angels cannot be seen, but they exist. They were created by God to serve Him and minister to His people. In this section, you will learn about angels, their purpose, and some of their characteristics.

## Objectives

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## Vocabulary

**Study these new words.** Learning the meanings of these words is a good study habit and will improve your understanding of this LIFE PAC.

**authority** (u thô u te). The power to enforce obedience; the right to command or act.

**created** (krē āt ed). Caused to be; brought into being; made.

**fasting** (fast ing). To abstain from food or from some foods.

**forerunner** (fô run èr). A person who goes before another person.

**Gospel** (gos pul). The “Good News” about the life, words, and deeds of Jesus Christ.

**holy** (hō lē). Set apart for God’s service.

**host** (hōst). A large number.

**innumerable** (i nu mēr u bul). Too many to count.

**ministry** (min u strē). A service offered to God or people; the function and office of a minister.

**multitude** (mul tu tūd). A great number; a crowd.

**oppose** (u pōz). Be against; act, fight, or struggle against.

**prophet** (prof it). Person who speaks God's message or performs God's actions.

**rank** (rank). A degree or position of authority in an organization or group.

**shield** (shēld). A piece of armor carried on the arm to protect the body on battle.

**spirit** (spir ut). A being created by God that does not have a body or matter. It is invisible.

**spiritual** (spir u chu ul). Dealing with the spirit or soul.

**supernatural** (su pèr nach èr ul). Above or beyond what is normal in nature or human experience.

**temptation** (temp tā shun). Fact or state of being tried or tested.

**warfare** (wôr fār). War; fighting.

**Note:** All vocabulary words in this LIFEPAC appear in **boldface** print the first time they are used. If you are unsure of the meaning when you are reading, study the definitions given.

**Pronunciation Key:** hat, āge, cāre, fār; let, ēqual, tèrm; it, īce; hot, ōpen, ôrder; oil; out; cup, pūt, rüle; child; long; thin; /ʦH/ for then; /zh/ for measure; /u/ or /ə/ represents /a/ in about, /e/ in taken, /i/ in pencil, /o/ in lemon, and /u/ in circus.

## Characteristics of Angels



Read *Psalm 103:20-21*

What is an angel? In the Bible, the word “angel” means “messenger,” or one who is sent by God. King David wrote, “Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure” (*Psalm 103:20-21*). Angels are powerful beings created by God to serve Him as messengers to people. They carry out a **ministry** for the Lord. As you study this LIFEPAK, you will find many examples in the Bible where angels serve as God’s messengers, ministers, and helpers. They point the way to Christ. Let’s explore some of the characteristics of angels.



| Angels serve God and Jesus

**Angels are spirits.** The first characteristic of angels is that they are *spirits*. They do not have bodies like people do. As spirits, angels serve God and Jesus Christ. The Bible says, “Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?” (*Hebrews 1:14*). They are **spiritual** beings. You are a human being. Since angels are spiritual beings, they are normally invisible. Artists have drawn, painted, and sculpted angels as wearing long flowing robes and having wings and haloes. This is only the artists’ imagination. With few exceptions, the Bible describes them as having human bodies when they appear to deliver God’s message. In reality, they only appear to have a body. You will read about some of those times in the Bible as you study this LIFEPAK.

Human beings have bodies and spirits (also called souls). You can see your body, but you cannot see your spirit. Angels have only a spirit. Because angels do not have physical bodies, they will not die. Because they do not have a physical body, they do not get sick. Angels never sleep because they do not have a physical body that gets tired.

**Angels are real.** The second characteristic of angels is that they are *real*. Just because angels are invisible does not mean that they are not real. Other things around you that are real are invisible. Wind and electricity are real, but you cannot see them. You know that the wind is real because you can see the force of the wind bending trees and moving the leaves. Likewise, we know that electricity is real because we can see light when the light switch is turned on.



We know that angels are real because God has revealed them to us through the Scriptures. Angels serve and worship God and our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The Bible shows us that angels have been present to minister to people throughout the history of the Old and New Testaments. You will read about the presence of angels in the Bible as you study this LIFEPAK.

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**Complete these statements.**

- 1.1 God created everything that exists, both visible and \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 1.2 Angels are \_\_\_\_\_ , and that is why they are invisible.
- 1.3 The word "angel" in the Bible usually means \_\_\_\_\_ .
- 1.4 Angels carry out a(n) a. \_\_\_\_\_ for the Lord, and that is why they are called b. \_\_\_\_\_ spirits in the Bible (*Hebrews 1:14*).
- 1.5 We know that angels are \_\_\_\_\_ because God has revealed them to us in the Scriptures.



**Complete these lists.**

- 1.6 List three things that do not happen to angels but do happen to people.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_
  - c. \_\_\_\_\_
- 1.7 List two examples of things that are real even though they are invisible.
  - a. \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. \_\_\_\_\_



| Angels, like men, were created to praise God.

**Angels are personal.** A third characteristic of angels is that, like people, they are *personal* beings. They have intelligence and wills. Angels are not impersonal objects like rocks or trees, nor are they just forces like wind or electricity. Impersonal objects and forces cannot think, sing, plan, show emotions, or obey God like people can. Angels do all of these things.

As personal beings, angels serve God and Jesus Christ as ministering spirits. King David says, “Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure” (*Psalms* 103:20–21).

Angels are wise, meaning they can correctly understand God’s will and make choices according to it. King David says, “Praise ye him, all his angels: praise ye him, all his hosts” (*Psalms* 148:2).

Angels have emotions such as joy, for the Apostle Luke says, “Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth” (*Luke* 15:10). Therefore, when a sinner repents of his sins and trusts in Jesus Christ’s sacrifice, the angels cheer and rejoice.

**Angels are supernatural.** Angels do many things that people do; however, they can also do many things that people cannot. Angels are stronger, more powerful, and swifter than humans



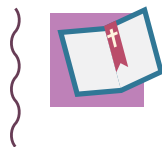


### Answer these questions.

- 1.13** What are some things that angels do that show they are personal beings?
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- 1.14** What are three examples in the Bible that show that angels are more powerful than people?
- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- 1.15** What are the four characteristics of angels mentioned in this section of the LIFE PAC?
- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_

## Kinds of Angels

Angels are not all alike. Some angels have more **authority** than others. Some angels have special duties. Just like a modern army on earth, angels in heaven have an organization. Like an army, some angels have higher **rank** than others. God has also given some angels some extremely important duties and responsibilities. There are only two angels mentioned by name in the Bible: *Michael* and *Gabriel*. Let's examine some of the things the Bible says about each of these two ministering angels.



**Read *Daniel 10:13 & 21* and *12:1-3*. Also *Jude 9* and *Revelation 12:7-9***

# SELF TEST 1

**Match these items** (each answer, 2 points).

- |       |       |                  |    |                                    |
|-------|-------|------------------|----|------------------------------------|
| 1.01  | _____ | angel            | a. | saw vision of heavenly hosts       |
| 1.02  | _____ | spirit           | b. | sent to destroy the works of Satan |
| 1.03  | _____ | Michael          | c. | sinned and rebelled                |
| 1.04  | _____ | Gabriel          | d. | rocks and trees                    |
| 1.05  | _____ | Daniel           | e. | messenger                          |
| 1.06  | _____ | God              | f. | has no body or material            |
| 1.07  | _____ | Jesus            | g. | God's hero                         |
| 1.08  | _____ | John the Baptist | h. | archangel in Bible                 |
| 1.09  | _____ | evil spirits     | i. | weaker than humans                 |
| 1.010 | _____ | angel hosts      | j. | a multitude and innumerable        |
|       |       |                  | k. | knows the number of angels         |
|       |       |                  | l. | forerunner                         |

**Answer true or false** (each answer, 2 points).

- 1.011 \_\_\_\_\_ Some angels have a body and spirit.
- 1.012 \_\_\_\_\_ Angels carry out a ministry for the Lord.
- 1.013 \_\_\_\_\_ Nothing is real unless you can see it.
- 1.014 \_\_\_\_\_ All angels have equal rank and authority.
- 1.015 \_\_\_\_\_ The angel Gabriel is mentioned in both the Old and New Testaments.
- 1.016 \_\_\_\_\_ The prophet Micaiah saw the "host of heaven" surrounding God.
- 1.017 \_\_\_\_\_ Angels are extremely swift.
- 1.018 \_\_\_\_\_ Only prayer and fasting can help Christians overcome the powers of darkness.

**1.019** \_\_\_\_\_ Satan and all other evil spirits will be destroyed at the end of time.

**1.020** \_\_\_\_\_ One angel alone killed 185,000 Assyrian soldiers to save Jerusalem.

**Label this drawing** (each item, 2 points).

**1.021** Choose one of the items below to label each piece of spiritual armor (*Ephesians 6:13–18*) in the appropriate space.

*truth*

*righteousness*

*Gospel of peace*

*salvation*

*the Word of God*

*faith*



a. \_\_\_\_\_



d. \_\_\_\_\_

b. \_\_\_\_\_



e. \_\_\_\_\_



c. \_\_\_\_\_

f. \_\_\_\_\_



**Choose the correct answer** (each answer, 2 points).

**1.022** Angels are personal beings and have \_\_\_\_\_ and free wills.

a. ears

b. intelligence

c. characteristics

**1.023** Because they are personal beings, angels can do many of the things that \_\_\_\_\_ do.

a. people

b. rocks

c. trees

**1.024** According to *Luke 10:15*, angels can show emotions like \_\_\_\_\_.

a. speaking

b. planning

c. joy

**1.025** Angels are \_\_\_\_\_ because their powers and abilities are above and beyond those that humans normally experience.

- a. gifted
- b. supernatural
- c. happy

**1.026** The Bible says that angels are \_\_\_\_\_ than men (2 Peter 2:11).

- a. greater in power and might
- b. weaker
- c. larger and heavier

**List the correct characteristics** (each item, 2 points).

**1.027** What are the four characteristics of angels mentioned in this LIFEPAK?

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_

**Write the correct answer in the blank space** (each answer, 3 points).

**1.028** God created everything that exists, both visible and \_\_\_\_\_ .

**1.029** We know that angels are \_\_\_\_\_ because God has revealed them to us in the Scriptures.

**1.030** Sometimes when Christians have troubles or \_\_\_\_\_ , it can be due to the activity of evil spirits against them.

**1.031** In *Hebrews* 1:14, angels are called \_\_\_\_\_ spirits.

**1.032** In the New Testament, Gabriel appeared to Zacharias and \_\_\_\_\_ .

**Answer these questions** (each answer, 5 points).

**1.033** What are the kinds of angels mentioned in this LIFEPAK?

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**1.034** What are some things that angels do that show they are personal beings?

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**1.035** How can angels be real even though they are invisible? (Give examples.)

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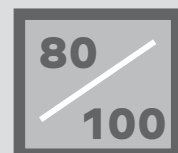


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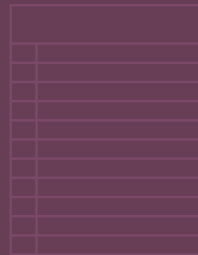
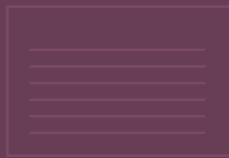
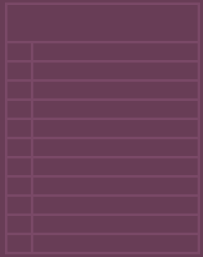
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