

THE MINISTRY OF ANGELS

Angels help the Righteous

- Helped Hagar in the wilderness - Gen. 16:7
- Directed Abraham's servant - Gen. 24:7
- Brought the Hebrews out of Egypt - Nu. 20:16
- Fed Elijah - 1 Ki. 19:5-8
- Saved Daniel - Dan. 6:22
- Saved the baby Jesus - Matt. 1:20-24
- Helped Jesus during His temptations - Mk. 1:13
- Helped Jesus in Gethsemane - Lk. 22:43
- Could have saved Him from the cross - Matt. 26:53
- Rejoice when one sinner repents - Lk. 15:10
- Comforted Lazarus in the bosom of Abraham - Lk. 16:22
- Delivered the Apostles from prison - Acts 5:19
- Delivered Peter from prison - Acts 12:7-11
- Brought encouragement to Paul - Acts 27:22-25
- Will gather the elect from the four winds - Matt. 24:31
- Are ministering spirits sent forth to minister to the heirs of salvation - Heb. 1:14
- Etc.

Angels punish the wicked

- Destroyed Sodom - Gen. 19:
- Sent to kill Balaam - Nu. 22:32-33
- Killed 185,000 Assyrian soldiers - 2 Ki. 19:35
- Sent to destroy Jerusalem - 1 Chr. 21:15
- David prayed for the angels to chase and persecute his enemies - Ps. 35:5-6
- Will gather out of the kingdom all that are evil and cast them into a fiery furnace - Matt. 13:41,42
- Killed Herod because of his sin - Acts 12:23
- Will bring hail and fire mingled with blood upon the earth - Rev. 8:7
- Turn 1/3 of the sea into blood - Rev. 8:8
- Will turn the water to wormwood and cause many to die - Rev. 8:10,11
- Will pronounce woes to the inhabitants of the earth - Rev. 8:13
- Will release scorpions from the bottomless pit - Rev. 9:1ff.
- Will cause 1/3 of the men on earth to be killed - Rev. 9:18
- Will scorch the earth with fire - Rev. 16:8
- Will cause men to gnaw their tongues with pain - Rev. 16:10
- Etc.

As you can see, the ministry of angels is much different for the righteous, than it is for the wicked. Jesus said that little children have angels who behold the face of our Father in heaven (Matt. 18:10). When we became adults and lost our innocence, we also lost the blessing of angelic protection.

The Good News is that salvation, with all of its blessings, is available to you by faith. With the heart man believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation (Rom. 10:9-10). When you belong to Jesus He will assign angels to be your ministers.

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.” (Ps 91:11-12)

