

What are we reading?

# A "word of exhortation"

(Hebrews 13:22, Acts 13:15) to those who believe



Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us (Hebrews 12:1)

Of angels He says:

Greek: pneuma = a current of air, i.e. breath, wind, spirit or God's Spirit.

Psalm 104:4

Who makes His angels spirits [or winds] And His ministers a flame of fire.

(Hebrews 1:7)

### Angels...

Are they not all ministering spirits sent out **to serve** for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation? (Hebrews 1:14)

### **ANGELS** ... ministering **spirits** ... (Hebrews 1:14)

## In the gospels

- Gabriel spoke to Zacharias about John's birth
- Gabriel spoke to Mary about Jesus' birth
- An angel appeared to **Joseph** in a dream three times
- Angels appeared to the **shepherds** at the Lord's birth
- Angels **ministered to the Lord** after His temptation in the wilderness
- The Lord spoke of angels carrying **Lazarus** to Paradise
- He spoke of the angels of **children** who believe seeing the face of His Father
- Angels strengthened the Lord in the Garden before His arrest
- Angels appeared to **the women** at the Lord's tomb after He rose from the dead

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### In the Acts of the Apostles

- An angel freed **the apostles** from prison
- An angel spoke to **Phillip** to go south towards Gaza
- An angel appeared to **Cornelius** in a vision, telling him to send for Peter
- An angel freed **Peter** from Herod's prison
- An angel struck and killed **Herod** because he did not glorify God
- An angel stood by **Paul** in the storm at sea and assured him of his safety

### **In Revelation**

- The letters are written to **the angel of the church** in each locality
- The angels execute God's judgment and perform all His will

## **ANGELS** ... ministering **spirits** ... (Hebrews 1:14)

### In the teaching of the Lord Jesus

- There is joy in the presence of the angels over one sinner who repents
- The angels neither marry nor are given in marriage [neither male not female]
- In the resurrection we cannot die, but are like the angels
- Whoever acknowledges Him before men, He will acknowledge before the angels
- When arrested, He could have asked His Father for twelve legions of angels
- He will return in the glory of His Father with His angels
- In the parable of the wheat and the tares, the reapers are the angels
- In the parable of the dragnet, the angels separate the wicked from the righteous
- The trumpet will sound and the angels will gather together His elect



# WARNING

Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and **worship of angels**, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind... (Colossians 2:18)

And the angel said to me, "Write ..." ... 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 ..." (Revelation 19:9-10) **Of angels He says:** 

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## But to the Son He says:

Psalm 45:6-7

"Your throne, O God, is forever and ever; A scepter of righteousness is the scepter of Your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated lawlessness; Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You With the oil of gladness more than Your companions." (Hebrews 1:8-9)

# To the Son He says:

## Psalm 102:25-27

"You, Lord, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, And the heavens are the work of Your hands. They will perish, but You remain; And they will all grow old like a garment; Like a cloak You will fold them up, And they will be changed. But You are the same, And Your years will not fail."











# "In Him we live and move and have our being ... "

(Acts 17:28)

To which of the angels has He ever said:

Psalm 110:1 "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool" (Hebrews 1:13)

# CHAPTER 2 Therefore...

## **Greater than the angels...**

- You are My Son... (Psalm 2)
- I will be to Him a Father... (2 Samuel 7:14)
- Let all the angels of God worship Him. (Psalm 97:7)
- Your throne, O God, is forever and ever... (Psalm 45:6)
- You, Lord, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth... (Psalm 102:25)
- Sit at My right hand... (Psalm 110:1)

# Can you see...

- His glorious and perfect humanity?
- His horrific cross and triumphant resurrection?
- His coming Kingdom?

# "Surely I am coming soon."

(Revelation 21:20)

Amen.

