

# ANGELS 4#

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# What they do today

## They are aware of what is going on in the world

- **1 Corinthians 4:9 (NKJV)**

- **9** For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, **both to angels and to men.**

- **1 Corinthians 11:10 (NKJV)**

- **10** For this reason the woman ought to have a symbol of authority on her head, **because of the angels.**

- **1 Timothy 5:21 (NKJV)**

- **21** I charge you before God and the Lord Jesus Christ and the **elect angels** that you observe these things without prejudice, doing nothing with partiality.

# What they do today

## Rejoice when one is saved

### ■ Luke 15:10 (NKJV)

- Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of **the angels of God** over one sinner who repents.”

# What they do today

## Witness our confession

### ■ Luke 12:8–9 (NKJV)

- 8 “Also I say to you, whoever confesses Me before men, him the Son of Man also will confess before the **angels of God.**
- 9 But he who denies Me before men will be denied before the **angels of God.**

# What they do today

## Minister

### ■ Hebrews 1:14 (NKJV)

- Are they not all **ministering spirits** sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?

# What they do today

## How do they minister?

### ■ *Not miraculous*

#### – 1 Corinthians 13:8-10 (NKJV)

<sup>8</sup> Love never fails. But whether *there are* prophecies, they will fail; whether *there are* tongues, they will cease; whether *there is* knowledge, it will vanish away.

<sup>9</sup> For we know in part and we prophesy in part.

<sup>10</sup> **But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.**

# What they do today

## How do they minister?

- Not law-givers like the Holy Spirit, but they have delivered law
  - **Hebrews 2:1-2 (NKJV)**
    - <sup>1</sup> Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away.
    - <sup>2</sup> For if the **word spoken through angels** proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward,

# How do they minister?

## Providentially

- What? God controls certain events to bring about His purposes

# How do they minister?

- Examples: Joseph
  - ***Genesis 45:7–8 (NKJV)***
  - *7 And God sent me before you to preserve a posterity for you in the earth, and to save your lives by a great deliverance.*
  - *8 So now it was not you who sent me here, but God; and He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house, and a ruler throughout all the land of Egypt.*

# How do they minister?

- Examples: Esther
  - *Esther 4:14 (NKJV)*
  - *14 For if you remain completely silent at this time, relief and deliverance will arise for the Jews from another place, but you and your father's house will perish. Yet who knows whether you have come to the kingdom for such a time as this?"*

# How do they minister?

- Do angels work providentially?
  - **Opinion:** I believe they do!

# What about guardian angels?

## ■ Psalm 91:11 (NKJV)

- 11 For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways.

## ■ Matthew 18:10 (NKJV)

- 10 “Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven.

## ■ Acts 12:15 (NKJV)

- 15 But they said to her, “You are beside yourself!” Yet she kept insisting that it was so. So they said, “It is his angel.”

# What will they do?

**On Judgment Day - They will accompany the Lord**

- Matthew 16:27 (NKJV)
- 27 For the Son of Man will come in the glory of His Father **with His angels**, and then He will reward each according to his works.

# What will they do?

## On Judgment Day - They will serve as reapers

### ■ Matthew 13:39–42 (NKJV)

- **39** The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels.
- **40** Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age.
- **41** The Son of Man will **send out His angels**, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness,
- **42** and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

# What will they do?

## On Judgment Day - They will separate righteous from sinners

### ■ Matthew 13:47–50 (NKJV)

- **47** “Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet that was cast into the sea and gathered some of every kind,
- **48** which, when it was full, they drew to shore; and they sat down and gathered the good into vessels, but threw the bad away.
- **49** So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just,
- **50** and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.”

# Conclusion

A lot we don't know about angels, but much we do know! They have always fought for the righteous!