

# Thrones, Dominions, Rulers and Authorities – “Angelology”

1:16 – “For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.”

	3754 [e]	1722 [e]	846 [e]	2936 [e]	3588 [e]	3956 [e]	1722 [e]	3588 [e]	3772 [e]	2532 [e]	1909 [e]	3588 [e]	1093 [e]
	hoti	en	autō	ektisthē	ta	panta	en	tois	ouranois	kai	epi	tēs	gēs
16	ὅτι	ἐν	αὐτῷ	ἐκτίσθη	τὰ	πάντα	ἐν	τοῖς	οὐρανοῖς	καὶ	ἐπὶ	τῆς	γῆς
	because	in	Him	were created	-	all things	in	the	heavens	and	upon	the	earth
	Conj	Prep	PPro-DM3S	V-AIP-3S	Art-NNP	Adj-NNP	Prep	Art-DMP	N-DMP	Conj	Prep	Art-GFS	N-GFS

3588 [e]	3707 [e]	2532 [e]	3588 [e]	517 [e]	1535 [e]	2362 [e]	1535 [e]	2963 [e]	1535 [e]	746 [e]	1535 [e]
ta	horata	kai	ta	aorata	eite	thronoi	eite	kyriotētes	eite	archai	eite
τὰ	ὄρατὰ	καὶ	τὰ	ἀόρατα	, εἴτε	θρόνοι	εἴτε	κυριότητες	εἴτε	ἄρχαι	εἴτε
the	visible	and	the	invisible	whether	thrones	or	dominions	or	rulers	or
Art-NNP	Adj-NNP	Conj	Art-NNP	Adj-NNP	Conj	N-NMP	Conj	N-NFP	Conj	N-NFP	Conj

1849 [e]	3588 [e]	3956 [e]	1223 [e]	846 [e]	2532 [e]	1519 [e]	846 [e]	2936 [e]
exousiai	ta	panta	di'	autou	kai	eis	auton	ektistai
ἐξουσίαι	; τὰ	πάντα	δι'	αὐτοῦ	καὶ	εἰς	αὐτὸν	ἐκτίσται
authorities	-	all things	through	Him	and	unto	Him	have been created
N-NFP	Art-NNP	Adj-NNP	Prep	PPro-GM3S	Conj	Prep	PPro-AM3S	V-RIM/P-3S

## 1. Spiritual beings and classes of angelic beings.

- i. “Thrones” – meaning “throne”, “a king’s throne”, “seat of power”
- ii. “Powers” – “Dominion” – *kyriotetos* – “lordship”, “domination”, “dignity”.
  1. It refers to lordship and is used only 4x in the NT to identify divine or angelic lordship, domination, dignity.
  2. Most often it is used with reference to a celestial hierarchy:
    - a. Ep. 1:21
    - b. 2 Peter 2:10 – “and to keep the unrighteous under punishment until the day of judgment, and especially those who indulge in the lust of defiling passion and despise authority.”
    - c. Jude 1:8 – “Yet in like manner these people also, relying on their dreams, defile the flesh, reject authority, and blaspheme the glorious ones.”
- iii. “Rulers” – *archas* – from *arche* defined as “beginning, origin” and used to refer to “rule in the kingly or magisterial sense” and quasi-personal (“quasi” meaning “seemingly” or “apparently but not really”) sense as “rulers” and “magistrates” and then simply as “beginning”.
- iv. “Authorities” – *exousias* – power, authority, weight.
  1. It refers to power and authority especially moral authority and influence.
  2. In later Judaism it developed into use as a spiritual power and soon was used to refer to a temporal, governmental power.

3. This word *exousia* is built with the following:
  - a. the preposition *ek-* (meaning “out from”) intensifying the word *eimi*.
  - b. *eimi* which means “to be” or “being as a right/privilege” making the full word mean “conferred power”, “given authority”, “delegated empowerment” and “operating in a designated jurisdiction.”
  - c. Matthew 7:29 says Jesus spoke as one having authority; Matthew 8:9 the Centurion said he was a man under authority.
  - d. It is used 102 times in the NT and translated as authorities (7x) authority (65) charge, control, domain, dominion, jurisdiction, liberty, power, right.

### “Angel”

1. Hebrew – מַלְאָךְ - *malak* = “a messenger”
2. Greek – ἄγγελος - *ang-el-os* = “a messenger”

### CREATION

1. Psalm 148:2, 5 -  
 “Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!... Let them praise the name of the Lord!  
 For he commanded and they were created.”
2. Job 38:4-7 -  
 “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding.  
 Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it?  
 On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone,  
 when **the morning stars** sang together and all **the sons of God** shouted for joy
  - a. “morning stars” – בֹּקֶר כּוֹכָבִים - *kowkbe boqer* = “the stars morning”
  - b. “sons of God” – בְּנֵי אֱלֹהִים - *bə·nê ’ě·lō·hîm* = “the sons of God”

### RANK IN CREATION

1. Psalm 8:3-5 -  
 “When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you  
 have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care  
 for him?  
 Yet you have made him a little lower **than the heavenly beings** and crowned him with glory  
 and honor.”
  - a. “the heavenly beings” –
    - i. Masoretic – f – “God” – מְאֹלֵהִים - *me-e-lo-him* - “God”

- ii. Septuagint (Gr) “than the angels” – παρ’ ἀγγέλους– *par’angelous* - “of the angels”

5849 [e]	1926 [e]	3519 [e]	430 [e]	4592 [e]	2637 [e]
tə-‘at-ṭə-rê-hū.	wə-hā-dār	wə-kā-bō-wd	mê-‘è-lō-hîm;	mə-‘at	wat-tə-has-sə-rê-hū
תַּעֲטִירָהוּ	וְהָדָר	וְכָבוֹד	מֵאֲלֵהִים	מְעַט	וַתַּחַסְרָהוּ
You have crowned him	and honor	and with glory	than the angels	a little	For You have made him lower
V-Piel-Imperf-2ms   3ms	Conj-w   N-ms	Conj-w   N-ms	Prep-m   N-mp	Adj-ms	Conj-w   V-Piel-ConseclImperf-2ms   3ms

b. Hebrews 2:5-8 -

“For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere:

‘What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him?

You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet.’ ”

2. First Peter 3:22 –

“the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.”

**CHARACTER and DESCRIPTION:**

1. “living creatures”

Revelation 4:6 – “And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind.”

2. “angels” or “messenger”

“Daniel 4:13 – “I saw in the visions of my head as I lay in bed, and behold, a watcher, a holy one, came down from heaven. He proclaimed aloud and said thus: ‘Chop down the tree and lop off its branches, strip off its leaves and scatter its fruit. Let the beasts flee from under it and the birds from its branches.’ ”

4481 [e]	6922 [e]	5894 [e]	431 [e]	4903 [e]	5922 [e]	7217 [e]	2376 [e]	1934 [e]	2370 [e]
min-	wə-qad-dīš,	‘ir	wa-‘ā-lū	miš-ke-bî;	‘al-	rê-šî	bə-ḥez-wé	hā-wēt	hā-zêh
מִן	וְקָדִישׁ	עִיר	וְאֵלָיו	מִשְׁכְּבִי	עַל-	רֵאשִׁי	בְּחִזְוֵי	הָנִית	הִנֵּה
from	and a holy one	a watcher	and there was	my bed [while] on	of my head	in the visions	I	Saw	13
Prep	Conj-w   Adj-ms	N-ms	Conj-w   Interjection	N-msc   1cs	Prep	N-msc   1cs	Prep-b   N-mpc	V-Qal-Perf-1cs	V-Qal-Prtcpl-ms

עִיר - eer - "ir" = "waking one", "wakeful one"

קָדִישׁ - kad-deesh - "qaddish" = "holy"

5182 [e]	8065 [e]
nā-hit.	šə-may-yā
נָחַת:	שָׁמַיָּא
coming down	heaven
V-Qal-Prtcpl-ms	N-mdd

3. “angels of God”

John 1:51 – “And he said to him, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.’ ”

4. “elect angels”

1 Timothy 5:21 – “In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of the elect angels I charge you to keep these rules without prejudging, doing nothing from partiality.”

5. “holy angels”

Revelation 14:9-10 – “And another angel, a third, followed them, saying with a loud voice, ‘If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand, he also will drink the wine of God's wrath, poured full strength into the cup of his anger, and he

will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.’ ”

6. **“mighty angels”**

2 Thessalonians 1:6-8 – “since indeed God considers it just to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to grant relief to you who are afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.

7. **“chief prince”**

Daniel 10:13 – “The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with the kings of Persia,

8. **“ministers”**

Psalm 104:4 – “

9. **“sons of God”**

a. Job 1:6-7 – “Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them. The Lord said to Satan, ‘From where have you come?’ Satan answered the Lord and said, ‘From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.’ ”

3320 [e]	430 [e]	1121 [e]	935 [e]	3117 [e]	1961 [e]
le·hit·yaš·šêb	hā'è·lō·hîm,	bē·nê	way·yā·bō'û	hay·yō·wm,	way·hî
להתיצב	האלהים	בני	ויבאו	היום	ויהי 6
to present themselves	of God the sons		and when came	a day	And there was
Prep-I   V-Hitpael-Inf	Art   N-mp	N-mpc	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3mp	Art   N-ms	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3ms

8432 [e]	7854 [e]	1571 [e]	935 [e]	3068 [e]	5921 [e]
bē·tō·w·kām.	haš·šā·ṭān	gam-	way·yā·bō·w	Yah·weh;	'al-
בתוכם:	השטן	גם	ויבוא	יהוה	על-
among them	Satan	also	and came	Yahweh	before
Prep-b   N-msc   3mp	Art   N-ms	Conj	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3ms	N-proper-ms	Prep

b. Job 2:1 – “Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. And the Lord said to Satan, ‘From where have you come?’ Satan answered the Lord and said, ‘From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.’ ”

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'al-	le·hit·yaš·šêb	hā'è·lō·hîm,	bē·nê	way·yā·bō'û	hay·yō·wm,	way·hî
על-	להתיצב	האלהים	בני	ויבאו	היום	ויהי 1
before	to present themselves	of God the sons		and when came	a day	And Again there was
Prep	Prep-I   V-Hitpael-Inf	Art   N-mp	N-mpc	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3mp	Art   N-ms	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3ms

3068 [e]	5921 [e]	3320 [e]	8432 [e]	7854 [e]	1571 [e]	935 [e]	3068 [e]
Yah·weh.	'al-	le·hit·yaš·šêb	bē·tō·kām,	haš·šā·ṭān	gam-	way·yā·bō·w	Yah·weh;
יהוה	על-	להתיצב	בתוכם	השטן	גם	ויבוא	יהוה
Yahweh	before	to present himself	among them	Satan	also	and came	Yahweh
N-proper-ms	Prep	Prep-I   V-Hitpael-Inf	Prep-b   N-msc   3mp	Art   N-ms	Conj	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3ms	N-proper-ms

c. Genesis 6:2, 4 – “When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them, the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose. Then the Lord said, “My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years.” The **Nephilim** were on the

earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the **mighty men** who were of old, the **men of renown**.

2007 [e] hên-nâh; הֵנָּה	2896 [e] tò-bòt טֹבֹת	3588 [e] kî כִּי	120 [e] hâ-'a-dâm, הָאָדָם	1323 [e] bê-nô-wt בְּנוֹת	853 [e] 'el- אֵל-	430 [e] hâ-'ê-lo-hîm הָאֱלֹהִים	1121 [e] bê-nê- בְּנֵי	7200 [e] way-yir-'û וַיִּרְאוּ
they	[were] beautiful	that	of men	the daughters	-	of God	the sons	that saw
Pro-3fp	Adj-fp	Conj	Art   N-ms	N-fpc	DirObjM	Art   N-mp	N-mpc	Conj-w   V-Qal-ConseclImperf-3mp

977 [e] bâ-hâ-rû. בָּחָרוּ:	834 [e] 'â-šer אֲשֶׁר	3605 [e] mik-kôl מִכָּל	802 [e] nâ-šîm, נָשִׁים	lâ-hem לָהֶם	3947 [e] way-yiqq-hû וַיִּקְחוּ
they chose	whomever	of all	wives	for themselves	and they took
V-Qal-Perf-3cp	Pro-r	Prep-m   N-ms	N-fp	Prep   3mp	Conj-w   V-Qal-ConseclImperf-3mp

430 [e] hâ-'ê-lo-hîm הָאֱלֹהִים	1121 [e] bê-nê בְּנֵי	935 [e] ya-bô-'û יָבֹאוּ	834 [e] 'â-šer אֲשֶׁר	3651 [e] kên, כֵּן	310 [e] 'a-hâ-rê- אֲחֵרֵי	1571 [e] wê-gam וְגַם	1992 [e] hâ-hém הֵהֵם	3117 [e] bay-yâ-mîm בַּיָּמִים	776 [e] bâ-'a-reš בָּאָרֶץ	1961 [e] hâ-yû הָיוּ	5303 [e] han-ne-pî-lîm הַנְּפִלִים
of God	the sons	came in	when	that	after	and also	those	in days	on the earth	were	The Nephilim
Art   N-mp	N-mpc	V-Qal-Imperf-3mp	Pro-r	Adv	Prep	Conj-w   Conj	Art   Pro-3mp	Prep-b, Art   N-mp	Prep-b, Art   N-fs	V-Qal-Perf-3cp	Art   N-mp

8034 [e] p haš-sêm. הַשֵּׁם:	376 [e] 'an-sê אֲנָשֵׁי	5769 [e] mê-'o-w-lâm מֵעוֹלָם	834 [e] 'â-šer אֲשֶׁר	1368 [e] hag-gib-bô-rîm הַגִּבּוֹרִים	1992 [e] hêm-mâh הֵמָּה	lâ-hem; לָהֶם	3205 [e] wê-yâ-la-du וַיִּלְדוּ	120 [e] hâ-'a-dâm, הָאָדָם	1323 [e] bê-nô-wt בְּנוֹת	413 [e] 'el- אֵל-	
	of renown	men	of old	who [were]	the mighty men	Those [were]	to them	and they bore [children]	of men	the daughters	to
Punc	Art   N-ms	N-mpc	Prep-m   N-ms	Pro-r	Art   Adj-mp	Pro-3mp	Prep   3mp	Conj-w   V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp	Art   N-ms	N-fpc	Prep

- i. "Nephilim" – /nef-eel-im/ - from the word "*naphal*" meaning "to fall", "lie prostrate"
- ii. "mighty men" –
  - 1. "mighty" - /gibbor/ - "strong", "mighty"
- iii. "men of renown" –
  - 1. "men" – /ish/ - "man"
  - 2. "renown" – /shem/ - "a name"

10. "sons of mighty"

- a. Psalm 89:6-7 – "For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord? Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord, God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all who are around him?"

- i. "heavenly beings" – Hebrew = "the sons of God" or "the sons of might"

410 [e] 'ê-lîm אֱלֹהִים	1121 [e] bib-nê בְּנֵי	3068 [e] Yah-weh יְהוָה	1819 [e] yid-meh יִדְמָה	3068 [e] Yah-weh; יְהוָה	6186 [e] ya-'â-rôk יָעֲרֹךְ	7834 [e] baš-ša-haq בְּשָׁמַיִם	4310 [e] mî מִי	3588 [e] kî כִּי
of the mighty	among the sons	to Yahweh	[Who] can be likened	to Yahweh	can be compared	in the heavens	who	For
N-mp	Prep-b   N-mpc	Prep-l   N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Imperf-3ms	Prep-l   N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Imperf-3ms	Prep-b, Art   N-ms	Interrog	Conj

- ii. "council of the holy ones" –

5439 [e] se-bî-bâw. סְבִיבוֹ:	3605 [e] kâl- כָּל-	5921 [e] 'al- עַל-	3372 [e] wê-nô-w-râ, וְנוֹרָא	7227 [e] rab-bâh; רַבָּה	6918 [e] qe-dô-šîm קְדוֹשִׁים	5475 [e] bê-sô-wd- בְּסוּד-	6206 [e] na-'â-râš נֹאֲרָשׁ	410 [e] 'êl אֵל
around Him	all [those]	by	and to be held in reverence	greatly	of the saints	in the assembly	is to be feared	God
Adv   3ms	N-msc	Prep	Conj-w   V-Nifal-Prtclpl-ms	Adj-fs	Adj-mp	Prep-b   N-msc	V-Nifal-Prtclpl-ms	N-ms

שׁוֹשׁוֹ = kaw-doshe - "qadosh" = "holy", "sacred"

תִּיב = sode = "sod" = "council"

- b. Psalm 29:1 – “Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.”
  - i. “heavenly beings” – like above in 89:6 - Hebrew = “sons of God”, “sons of might”

#### 11. “mighty ones”

Psalm 103:20-21 – “Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!

Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!”

- a. “angels” – *mal·’ā·kāw* – “messenger”
- b. “mighty ones” – “*gib·bō·rē kō·ah*” – “mighty strength”
  - i. Gibbor – “strong”, “mighty”
  - ii. Koah – “strength”
- c. “his hosts” – “*šə·bā·’āw*” from “*tsaba*” meaning “army”, “war”, “warfare”
- d. “his ministers” – “*mə·šā·rə·tāw*” from “*sharath*” meaning “to minister”, “to serve”

#### 12. “gods” (“Elohim”)

Psalm 8:5 – “Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings[b] and crowned him with glory and honor.”

#### 13. “holy ones”

- a. Daniel 8:13 – “Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to the one who spoke, ‘For how long is the vision concerning the regular burnt offering, the transgression that makes desolate, and the giving over of the sanctuary and host to be trampled underfoot?’ ”
- b. Zechariah 14:5 – “You shall flee to the valley of my mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal. And you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the Lord my God will come, and all the holy ones with him”
- c. Job 15:15-16 – “Behold, God puts no trust in his holy ones, and the heavens are not pure in his sight; how much less one who is abominable and corrupt, a man who drinks injustice like water!”

#### 14. “stars”

- a. Job 38:6-7 – “On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?”
- b. Revelation 12:3-4 – “And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth.”

#### 15. “hosts of heaven”

- a. Nehemiah 9:6 – ““You are the Lord, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you.”
- b. Luke 2:13 – “suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,  
“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”

#### 16. “chariots”

- a. Psalm 68:17 – “The chariots of God are twice ten thousand, thousands upon thousands; the Lord is among them; Sinai is now in the sanctuary.

- b. Zechariah 6:1-8 – “Again I lifted my eyes and saw, and behold, four chariots came out from between two mountains. And the mountains were mountains of bronze. The first chariot had red horses, the second black horses, the third white horses, and the fourth chariot dappled horses—all of them strong. Then I answered and said to the **angel** who talked with me, “What are these, my lord?” And the **angel** answered and said to me, “These are going out to the four winds of heaven, after presenting themselves before the Lord of all the earth. The chariot with the black horses goes toward the north country, the white ones go after them, and the dappled ones go toward the south country.” When the strong horses came out, they were impatient to go and patrol the earth. And he said, “Go, patrol the earth.” So they patrolled the earth. Then he cried to me, “Behold, those who go toward the north country have set my Spirit at rest in the north country.”

## POSITION of HIERARCHY

### 1. Cherubim

- a. Genesis 3:24 – “He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.”
- b. Psalm 80:1 – “Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock. You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.”
- c. Psalm 99:1 – “
- d. Ezekiel 9:3 – “
- e. Ezekiel 10:1 – “
- f. Ezekiel 1:28 – “
- g. Hebrews 9:5 – “

### 2. Archangel – Michael means “Who is like God?”

- a. Michael in Daniel 12:1 protects Israel:
- b. Daniel 10:13 – one of the chief princes:
- c. Daniel 10:21 – “
- d. 1 Thessalonians 4:16 – “
- e. Jude 9 an archangel; disputed with Satan – “
- f. Revelation 12:7 – leader of the heavenly army; leads final victory over devil – “

### 3. Chief Princes (under Michael):

- a. Daniel 10:21 –
- b. Daniel 10:13 –

### 4. Living Creatures:

- a. Revelation 4:7-8 –
- b. Revelation 4:14, 19 –

### 5. Seraphim means “Burning Ones”:

- a. Isaiah 6:2-3 –

6. **Angels** mentioned 273 x in Bible:
  - a. Hebrews 1:14 –
7. **Gabriel** means “Devoted to God”
  - a. Luke 1:19, stands in the presence of God – “
  - b. Makes special announcements for God:
    - i. Luke 1:11-13, to Zechariah – “
    - ii. Luke 1:26-33, to Mary – “
  - c. Revealer of God’s Kingdom purpose:
    - i. Daniel 8:16 – “
    - ii. Daniel 9:21-22 – “
8. **Lucifer**
  - a. Isaiah 14:12, “son of the morning” – “
  - b. Revelation 12:9, “Great Dragon,” “Ancient Serpent,” “Devil,” “Satan”
9. **Evil Angels** (Demons?)
  - a. Revelation 12:4, Led by Satan – “His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it.”
  - b. Daniel 10:13, Princes in various countries serving as spiritual powers – “
  - c. Rulers, Powers, Spirits, etc.
    - i. Romans 8:38-39 – “For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
    - ii. Ephesians 1:21 – “far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come.
    - iii. Ephesians 3:10 – “so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.
    - iv. Ephesians 6:12 – “For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.
    - v. Colossians 1:16 – “
    - vi. 1 Peter 3:22 – “who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.
    - vii. Jude 8-9 – “Yet in like manner these people also, relying on their dreams, defile the flesh, reject authority, and blaspheme the glorious ones. But when the archangel Michael, contending with the devil, was disputing about the body of Moses, he did not presume to pronounce a blasphemous judgment, but said, “The Lord rebuke you.”

**Fallen Angels are irredeemable.** Once they sin, they are doomed forever:

1. 2 Peter 2:4 – “For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into Tartarus and committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment.”
2. Jude 6 – “And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day



3. Hebrews 2:16 – “For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.
4. Colossians 2:15 – “He disarmed the rulers and authorities[b] and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.”
5. Matthew 8:29 – “And behold, they cried out, “What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?”

**Angel of the Lord** – the Angel of the Lord is a manifestation of the Second Member of the Trinity, the Son of God, in the Old Testament.

1. Genesis 16:10, 13 – speaking to Hagar: “The angel of the Lord also said to her, “I will surely multiply your offspring so that they cannot be numbered for multitude.” ...”So she called the name of the Lord who spoke to her, “You are a God of seeing,” for she said, “Truly here I have seen him who looks after me.”
2. Genesis 22:11-12 – “But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven and said, “Abraham, Abraham!” And he said, “Here I am.” He said, “Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me.”
3. Genesis 31:11 – “Then the angel of God said to me in the dream, ‘Jacob,’ and I said, ‘Here I am!’ ”
4. Exodus 3:2, 6 – “And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed....Then he said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” 6 And he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.”
5. Judges 2:1 – “Now the angel of the Lord went up from Gilgal to Bochim. And he said, “I brought you up from Egypt and brought you into the land that I swore to give to your fathers. I said, ‘I will never break my covenant with you, 2 and you shall make no covenant with the inhabitants of this land; you shall break down their altars.’ But you have not obeyed my voice. What is this you have done? 3 So now I say, I will not drive them out before you, but they shall become thorns in your sides, and their gods shall be a snare to you.” 4 As soon as the angel of the Lord spoke these words to all the people of Israel, the people lifted up their voices and wept. 5 And they called the name of that place Bochim.[a] And they sacrificed there to the Lord.

### Warnings:

1. False Doctrine can come from Angels:
  - a. Galatians 1:8 – “But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed.”
  - b. 2 Corinthians 11:14 – “And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. So it is no surprise if his servants, also, disguise themselves as servants of righteousness. Their end will correspond to their deeds.”

- c. 1 Kings 13:18 – “And he said to him, “I also am a prophet as you are, and an angel spoke to me by the word of the Lord, saying, ‘Bring him back with you into your house that he may eat bread and drink water.’” But he lied to him.”
- d. (An angel named Moroni spoke to Joseph Smith to reveal the Mormon Religion.)
- 2. Do not worship angels – Revelation 19:10 –  
“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 and your brothers who hold to the testimony of Jesus. Worship God.” For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.”
- 3. Do not pray to angels – First Timothy 2:5 -  
“For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.”
- 4. Do not seek angels.

### **Genesis 18:1-16 –**

“And the Lord appeared to him by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the door of his tent in the heat of the day. 2 He lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, three men were standing in front of him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent door to meet them and bowed himself to the earth 3 and said, “O Lord, if I have found favor in your sight, do not pass by your servant. 4 Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree, 5 while I bring a morsel of bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.”...

16 Then the men set out from there, and they looked down toward Sodom. And Abraham went with them to set them on their way. 17 The Lord said, “Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, 18 seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?”

### **Job 1:6-12 (again in Job 2:1-6) –**

Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them. 7 The Lord said to Satan, “From where have you come?” Satan answered the Lord and said, “From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.” 8 And the Lord said to Satan, “Have you considered my servant Job, that there is none like him on the earth, a blameless and upright man, who fears God and turns away from evil?” 9 Then Satan answered the Lord and said, “Does Job fear God for no reason? 10 Have you not put a hedge around him and his house and all that he has, on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. 11 But stretch out your hand and touch all that he has, and he will curse you to your face.” 12 And the Lord said to Satan, “Behold, all that he has is in your hand. Only against him do not stretch out your hand.” So Satan went out from the presence of the Lord.

### **1 Kings 22:13-28 –**

“And the messenger who went to summon Micaiah said to him, “Behold, the words of the prophets with one accord are favorable to the king. Let your word be like the word of one of them, and speak favorably.” 14 But Micaiah said, “As the Lord lives, what the Lord says to me, that I will speak.” 15 And when he had come to the king, the king said to him, “Micaiah, shall we go to Ramoth-gilead to battle, or shall we refrain?” And he answered him, “Go up and triumph; the Lord will give it into the hand of the king.” 16 But the king said to him, “How many times shall I make you swear that you speak to me nothing but the truth in the name of the Lord?” 17 And he said, “I saw all Israel scattered

on the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd. And the Lord said, 'These have no master; let each return to his home in peace.'" 18 And the king of Israel said to Jehoshaphat, "Did I not tell you that he would not prophesy good concerning me, but evil?" 19 And Micaiah said, "Therefore hear the word of the Lord: I saw the **Lord sitting on his throne, and all the host of heaven standing beside him on his right hand and on his left;** 20 and the Lord said, 'Who will entice Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead?' And **one said one thing, and another said another.** 21 Then **a spirit came forward and stood before the Lord,** saying, 'I will entice him.' 22 And the Lord said to him, 'By what means?' And he said, '**I will go out, and will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.**' And he said, 'You are to entice him, and you shall succeed; go out and do so.' 23 Now therefore behold, the Lord has put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these your prophets; the Lord has declared disaster for you."

24 Then Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah came near and struck Micaiah on the cheek and said, "How did the Spirit of the Lord go from me to speak to you?" 25 And Micaiah said, "Behold, you shall see on that day when you go into an inner chamber to hide yourself." 26 And the king of Israel said, "Seize Micaiah, and take him back to Amon the governor of the city and to Joash the king's son, 27 and say, 'Thus says the king, "Put this fellow in prison and feed him meager rations of bread and water, until I come in peace.'"" 28 And Micaiah said, "If you return in peace, the Lord has not spoken by me." And he said, "Hear, all you peoples!"

## **2 Kings 6:15-19 –**

"When the servant of the man of God rose early in the morning and went out, behold, an army with horses and chariots was all around the city. And the servant said, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" 16 He said, "Do not be afraid, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." 17 Then Elisha prayed and said, "O Lord, please open his eyes that he may see." So the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw, and behold, the mountain was **full of horses and chariots of fire** all around Elisha. 18 And when the Syrians came down against him, Elisha prayed to the Lord and said, "Please strike this people with blindness." So he struck them with blindness in accordance with the prayer of Elisha. 19 And Elisha said to them, "This is not the way, and this is not the city. Follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom you seek." And he led them to Samaria."

## **Ezekiel 1:4-28 –**

"As I looked, behold, a stormy wind came out of the north, and a great cloud, with brightness around it, and fire flashing forth continually, and in the midst of the fire, as it were gleaming metal. 5 And from the midst of it came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance: they had a human likeness, 6 but each had four faces, and each of them had four wings. 7 Their legs were straight, and the soles of their feet were like the sole of a calf's foot. And they sparkled like burnished bronze. 8 Under their wings on their four sides they had human hands. And the four had their faces and their wings thus: 9 their wings touched one another. Each one of them went straight forward, without turning as they went. 10 As for the likeness of their faces, each had a human face. The four had the face of a lion on the right side, the four had the face of an ox on the left side, and the four had the face of an eagle..."

## **Ezekiel 9 –**

"Then he cried in my ears with a loud voice, saying, "Bring near **the executioners** of the city, each with his destroying weapon in his hand." 2 And behold, **six men** came from the direction of the upper

gate, which faces north, **each with his weapon for slaughter in his hand**, and with them was a **man clothed in linen, with a writing case at his waist**. And they went in and stood beside the bronze altar.

3 Now the glory of the God of Israel had gone up from the cherub on which it rested to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed in linen, who had the writing case at his waist. 4 And the Lord said to him, "Pass through the city, through Jerusalem, and put a mark on the foreheads of the men who sigh and groan over all the abominations that are committed in it." 5 And to the others he said in my hearing, "Pass through the city after him, and strike. Your eye shall not spare, and you shall show no pity. 6 Kill old men outright, young men and maidens, little children and women, but touch no one on whom is the mark. And begin at my sanctuary." So they began with the elders who were before the house. 7 Then he said to them, "Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain. Go out." So they went out and struck in the city. 8 And while they were striking, and I was left alone, I fell upon my face, and cried, "Ah, Lord God! Will you destroy all the remnant of Israel in the outpouring of your wrath on Jerusalem?"

9 Then he said to me, "The guilt of the house of Israel and Judah is exceedingly great. The land is full of blood, and the city full of injustice. For they say, 'The Lord has forsaken the land, and the Lord does not see.' 10 As for me, my eye will not spare, nor will I have pity; I will bring their deeds upon their heads."

11 And behold, the man clothed in linen, with the writing case at his waist, brought back word, saying, "I have done as you commanded me."

## **Ezekiel 10 –**

"Then I looked, and behold, on the expanse that was over the heads of the cherubim there appeared above them something like a sapphire, in appearance like a throne. 2 And he said to **the man clothed in linen**, "Go in among the whirling wheels underneath the cherubim. Fill your hands with burning coals from between the cherubim, and scatter them over the city."

And he went in before my eyes. 3 Now the **cherubim** were standing on the south side of the house, when **the man** went in, and a cloud filled the inner court. 4 And the glory of the Lord went up from the cherub to the threshold of the house, and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was filled with the brightness of the glory of the Lord. 5 And the sound of the wings of the cherubim was heard as far as the outer court, like the voice of God Almighty when he speaks.

6 And when he commanded the man clothed in linen, "Take fire from between the whirling wheels, from between the cherubim," he went in and stood beside a wheel. 7 And a cherub stretched out his hand from between the cherubim to the fire that was between the cherubim, and took some of it and put it into the hands of the man clothed in linen, who took it and went out. 8 The cherubim appeared to have the form of a human hand under their wings.

9 And I looked, and behold, there were four wheels beside the cherubim, one beside each cherub, and the appearance of the wheels was like sparkling beryl. 10 And as for their appearance, the four had the same likeness, as if a wheel were within a wheel.

## **Daniel 8:13-27 –**

Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to the one who spoke, “For how long is the vision concerning the regular burnt offering, the transgression that makes desolate, and the giving over of the sanctuary and host to be trampled underfoot?” 14 And he said to me, “For 2,300 evenings and mornings. Then the sanctuary shall be restored to its rightful state.”

15 When I, Daniel, had seen the vision, I sought to understand it. And behold, there stood before me one having the appearance of a man. 16 And I heard a man's voice between the banks of the Ulai, and it called, “Gabriel, make this man understand the vision.” 17 So he came near where I stood. And when he came, I was frightened and fell on my face. But he said to me, “Understand, O son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end.”

18 And when he had spoken to me, I fell into a deep sleep with my face to the ground. But he touched me and made me stand up. 19 He said, “Behold, I will make known to you what shall be at the latter end of the indignation, for it refers to the appointed time of the end. 20 As for the ram that you saw with the two horns, these are the kings of Media and Persia. 21 And the goat is the king of Greece. And the great horn between his eyes is the first king. 22 As for the horn that was broken, in place of which four others arose, four kingdoms shall arise from his[e] nation, but not with his power. 23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors have reached their limit, a king of bold face, one who understands riddles, shall arise. 24 His power shall be great—but not by his own power; and he shall cause fearful destruction and shall succeed in what he does, and destroy mighty men and the people who are the saints. 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand. 26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings that has been told is true, but seal up the vision, for it refers to many days from now.”

27 And I, Daniel, was overcome and lay sick for some days. Then I rose and went about the king's business, but I was appalled by the vision and did not understand it.”

## **Daniel 10:4-21 -**

On the twenty-fourth day of the first month, as I was standing on the bank of the great river (that is, the Tigris) 5 I lifted up my eyes and looked, and behold, a man clothed in linen, with a belt of fine gold from Uphaz around his waist. 6 His body was like beryl, his face like the appearance of lightning, his eyes like flaming torches, his arms and legs like the gleam of burnished bronze, and the sound of his words like the sound of a multitude. 7 And I, Daniel, alone saw the vision, for the men who were with me did not see the vision, but a great trembling fell upon them, and they fled to hide themselves. 8 So I was left alone and saw this great vision, and no strength was left in me. My radiant appearance was fearfully changed, and I retained no strength. 9 Then I heard the sound of his words, and as I heard the sound of his words, I fell on my face in deep sleep with my face to the ground.

10 And behold, a hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. 11 And he said to me, “O Daniel, man greatly loved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for now I have been sent to you.” And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood up trembling. 12 Then he said to me, “Fear not, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand and humbled yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. 13 The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the

chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with the kings of Persia, 14 and came to make you understand what is to happen to your people in the latter days. For the vision is for days yet to come.” 15 When he had spoken to me according to these words, I turned my face toward the ground and was mute. 16 And behold, one in the likeness of the children of man touched my lips. Then I opened my mouth and spoke. I said to him who stood before me, “O my lord, by reason of the vision pains have come upon me, and I retain no strength. 17 How can my lord's servant talk with my lord? For now no strength remains in me, and no breath is left in me.”

18 Again one having the appearance of a man touched me and strengthened me. 19 And he said, “O man greatly loved, fear not, peace be with you; be strong and of good courage.” And as he spoke to me, I was strengthened and said, “Let my lord speak, for you have strengthened me.” 20 Then he said, “Do you know why I have come to you? But now I will return to fight against the prince of Persia; and when I go out, behold, the prince of Greece will come. 21 But I will tell you what is inscribed in the book of truth: there is none who contends by my side against these except Michael, your prince.

### **Revelation 4:6-11 -**

And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: 7 the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight. 8 And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say,

“Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,  
who was and is and is to come!”

9 And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

11 “Worthy are you, our Lord and God,  
to receive glory and honor and power,  
for you created all things,  
and by your will they existed and were created.”

### **Revelation 9:13-19 –**

“Then the sixth angel blew his trumpet, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar before God, saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, “Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates.” So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour, the day, the month, and the year, were released to kill a third of mankind. The number of mounted troops was twice ten thousand times ten thousand; I heard their number. And this is how I saw the horses in my vision and those who rode them: they wore breastplates the color of fire and of sapphire and of sulfur, and the heads of the horses were like lions' heads, and fire and smoke and sulfur came out of their mouths. By these three plagues a third of mankind was killed, by the fire and smoke and sulfur coming out of their mouths. For the power of the horses is in their mouths and in their tails, for their tails are like serpents with heads, and by means of them they wound.”