



**Angels on Assignment
Supernatural Sunday
Sunday September 29, 2024**

In our message today we seek to inform and awaken us to the activity of angels or angelic beings. The Bible reveals to us a lot about these heavenly beings and what they do and how they interact with us as God's people. Our goal is to let us know that these angelic beings are there to assist us and we can invite their assistance in the day-to-day things of life.

We begin with a "disclaimer" or stating very clearly that our focus is on the Lord Jesus Christ, His Word and the work of the Holy Spirit. In no way are we shifting our focus to angels, or communication with angels and similar things. We are aware of what the New Testament teaches us:

WE ARE AWARE OF BIBLICAL WARNINGS

We do not worship angels in any manner. We are not obsessed with angels or angelic visitations.

Colossians 2:18-19

18 Let no one cheat you of your reward, taking delight in false humility and worship of angels, intruding into those things which he has not seen, vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,

19 and not holding fast to the Head, from whom all the body, nourished and knit together by joints and ligaments, grows with the increase that is from God.

We are also aware that satan and his demons can pretend to be angels of light in order to deceive God's people. And so we are very discerning while being open to angelic assistance in everyday life.

2 Corinthians 11:14

And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light.

However, our goal is to learn what the Scriptures do reveal to us about angels and how we can benefit from their assistance as we go about living our lives to fulfil the purposes of God.

A BRIEF ABOUT ANGELS



#1, Angels are created beings.

#2, Angels worship and serve God.

#3, There are different kinds of angels:

A, Assignment angels called Cherubim. These are working and warring angels.

B, Adoration angels called Seraphim. These are angels always before God's throne, worshiping Him.

#4, Angels minister to the saints.

Hebrews 1:13-14

13 But to which of the angels has He ever said: "SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND, TILL I MAKE YOUR ENEMIES YOUR FOOTSTOOL"?

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

God has assigned some of His angels to minister (serve alongside, assist, aid, help) us His sons and daughters, heirs of salvation.

SOME OF THE MANY WAYS THAT ANGELS MINISTER FOR US

Let's consider some of the ways that angels assist us as God's people.

#1, Angels Protect Us And Deliver Us

Psalm 34:7

The angel of the LORD encamps all around those who fear Him, And delivers them.

Psalm 91:11-12

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

12 In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Angels protect and rescue us from harm and danger in both spiritual and natural realms. They intervene in situations keeping us away from harm and keeping harm away from us.

#2, Angels Assist Us, Open Doors For Us



Genesis 24:7,40

7 The LORD God of heaven, who took me from my father's house and from the land of my family, and who spoke to me and swore to me, saying, 'To your descendants I give this land,' He will send His angel before you, and you shall take a wife for my son from there.

40 But he said to me, 'The LORD, before whom I walk, will send His angel with you and prosper your way; and you shall take a wife for my son from my family and from my father's house.'

Abraham is commissioning his servant Eleazar to go find a bride for his son Isaac. In vs 7 Abraham declares his faith that God's angel will assist his servant on this important assignment.

Later in vs 40 Eleazar affirms his faith and actual experience of angelic assistance in seeing this assignment fulfilled.

In a similar manner we can expect angels to assist us in the very practical things we do in everyday life. A simple prayer "God, please send your angels to help me in this matter" is one way to receive angelic assistance.

#3, Angels Can Deliver Material Things

1 Kings 19:5-6

5 Then as he lay and slept under a broom tree, suddenly an angel touched him, and said to him, "Arise and eat."

6 Then he looked, and there by his head was a cake baked on coals, and a jar of water. So he ate and drank, and lay down again.

In this instance we see an angel delivering food to Elijah. There is no information on how and where the angel got the food, who cooked it, etc. But the fact is that food was delivered to Elijah.

God's angels can do the same or similar things today.

#4, Angels Can Open Prison Doors – Natural and Spiritual

Acts 5:17-19

17 Then the high priest rose up, and all those who were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with indignation,

18 and laid their hands on the apostles and put them in the common prison.



19 But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said,

Angels can open doors, orchestrate the opening of doors both in the natural and in a spiritual sense as well.

#5, Angels Can Remove Chains – Natural and Spiritual

Acts 12:7

Now behold, an angel of the Lord stood by him, and a light shone in the prison; and he struck Peter on the side and raised him up, saying, "Arise quickly!" And his chains fell off his hands.

Angels can remove chains, break them off and bring release both in the natural and in a spiritual sense as well.

#6, Angels Engage in Spiritual Conflict

Daniel 10:13,20

13 But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days; and behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left alone there with the kings of Persia.

20 Then he said, "Do you know why I have come to you? And now I must return to fight with the prince of Persia; and when I have gone forth, indeed the prince of Greece will come.

We are in spiritual conflict with the powers of darkness attempting to steal, kill and destroy. Demonic spirits attempt to hinder God's plans for our lives, intrude into areas they should not be accessing, attempt to hinder answers to prayer, etc. The angels of God minister for us who believe, acting on our behalf, overthrowing what the powers of darkness attempt to do, as we engage in prayer and declaration of God's Word.

#7, Angels Assist in Evangelism

Acts 8:26

Now an angel of the Lord spoke to Philip, saying, "Arise and go toward the south along the road which goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." This is desert.



Angels can assist us in reaching and serving people as they bring God's instruction and orchestrate situations setting things up for us to reach the unsaved or serve others in need and fulfill God's purposes.

There are many other ways that angels minister for us in Scripture. The above is a short list to help encourage us and build expectations in our hearts so we can pray and ask for such angelic assistance.

RECEIVING AND RELEASING ANGELIC ASSISTANCE

Let us consider some simple ways we can receive angelic assistance for ourselves, or release angelic assistance for others whom we care about, e.g. family members, other believers, etc.

#1, Pray and Ask God

Daniel 9:21

yes, while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, reached me about the time of the evening offering.

Daniel 10:12

Then he said to me, "Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard; and I have come because of your words.

We notice here how as Daniel was praying according to what God had promised to do for His people, and was declaring God's Word before Him, God was sending out his angel, in this case angel Gabriel to bring an answer to Daniel's prayer.

Ask God for angelic intervention, e.g. for protection, for orchestrating things.

Ask God to send angels to do a specific task.

Ask God to send angels to assist someone.

#2, Declare God's Word

Psalms 103:20-21

20 Bless the LORD, you His angels, Who excel in strength, who do His word, Heeding the voice of His word.

21 Bless the LORD, all you His hosts, You ministers of His, who do His pleasure.



We see in these Scriptures that God's angels are strong and powerful. They listen to the voice of His Word and do His Word. The angels of God will do for us what pleases God. So, in one sense as we come into agreement with God's Word and speak God's Word they assist us, since they are sent to minister for us.

ANGELIC ASSISTANCE IS NOT AN EXCUSE FOR LAZINESS AND IRRESPONSIBILITY

There are some things angels will not do:

Angels will not do what we are supposed to do. Angels will not do what we are responsible for. They will not go to school/college/work for us. We must do it ourselves.

Angels will not make decisions for us. We are responsible to know God's will and follow God's will. We are responsible for making decisions for ourselves. We don't sit idly by and expect an angel to come and make decisions for us telling us what to do in everyday life. When crossing the street, we must look both ways and cross when the signal is green. Angels will not do that for us! 😊

SUMMARY

Even as we keep our focus on Jesus and His Word and go about living to fulfill His purposes, let us ask and receive angelic assistance. God has put His angels on assignment to minister for us and help us. Let's receive the help God has assigned for us.

GOSPEL AND SALVATION CALL

SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME

Minister as the Spirit leads

This sermon is an excerpt from an upcoming book from APC: Angels on Assignment.



LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE

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This is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

Preparation

To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon Key Points (sermon summary in five minutes) or the full-length Sunday sermon. You can also review the Sunday Sermon notes. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our [sermons page](#). Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

LISTEN to God's Word

Read the following Scripture references: *Psalm 34:7; Psalm 91:11-12; Genesis 24:7,40; Psalm 103:20-21*

INVESTIGATE God's Word Together

The Life Group is a discussion-based, participatory meeting with everyone given the opportunity to share their learning. Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

A, consider some of the ways that angels assist us as God's people as mentioned in the message. Discuss and share any experiences you may have had in one or more of these areas:

#1, Angels Protect Us And Deliver Us

#2, Angels Assist Us, Open Doors For Us



- #3, *Angels Can Deliver Material Things*
- #4, *Angels Can Open Prison Doors – Natural and Spiritual*
- #5, *Angels Can Remove Chains – Natural and Spiritual*
- #6, *Angels Engage in Spiritual Conflict*
- #7, *Angels Assist in Evangelism*

B, Discuss two ways we see in Scripture to receive/ask for angelic assistance mentioned in the message. How can we do this more often/intentionally in various situations of life?

- #1, *Pray and Ask God*
- #2, *Declare God's Word*

Each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key insights and how they see themselves applying it into their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow, bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

- 1, *families to be protected and strengthened*
- 2, *a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.*
- 3, *for the BUILD TO IMPACT project - for all details to go well as we plan and build our Bible college and church facilities to serve the Lord and people.*

Close by thanking God together.



USEFUL RESOURCES

Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

YOUTUBE: <https://youtube.com/allpeopleschurchbangalore>

WEBSITE: <https://apcwo.org/live>

Our other websites and free resources:

CHURCH: <https://apcwo.org>

FREE SERMONS: <https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons>

FREE BOOKS: <https://apcwo.org/books/english>

DAILY DEVOTIONALS: <https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional>

JESUS CHRIST: <https://examiningjesus.com>

BIBLE COLLEGE: <https://apcbiblecollege.org>

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WEEKEND SCHOOLS: <https://apcwo.org/ministries/weekend-schools>

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SERMON OUTLINE

In this sermon with a brief introduction to angels (Cherubim and Seraphim), we focus on the fact that God has assigned some of His angels to minister (serve alongside, assist, aid, help) us His sons and daughters, heirs of salvation. We consider some of the ways that angels assist us as God's people.

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#1, Pray and Ask God

#2, Declare God's Word



We also clearly indicate that our focus has to be on the Lord Jesus, and we do not go pursuing after interacting with angelic beings. We also clarify that angels will not do what we are supposed to do. Angels will not make decisions for us. Through this sermon we are encouraged to expect and ask for angelic assistance in the everyday situations of life, because God Himself has arranged for His angels to minister to us.

KEYWORDS

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