

# THE BIBLE STANDS

The Bible stands though the hills may tumble, It will firmly stand when the earth shall crumble; I will plant my feet on its firm foundation, For the Bible stands.

#### **Lesson 05:** Spiritual Beings in an Unseen World

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#### 1. Did God create only things that can been seen? Colossians 1:16.

"For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by Him, and for Him:"

#### 2. What supernatural beings does the Bible mention? Psalm 8:5.

"For Thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour."

#### 3. Has anyone ever seen an angel? Numbers 22:31.

"Then the LORD opened the eyes of Balaam, and he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and he bowed down his head, and fell flat on his face."

# 4. What type of angels were placed at the entrance to the garden of Eden when Adam and Eve were driven out? Genesis 3:24.

"So He drove out the man; and He placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life."

Angels are not the spirits of dead people as some may suppose. No one had yet died when Adam and Eve were driven from Eden. The Bible speaks definitely of the existence of intelligent beings in the universe before the earth was created. (Job 38:4, 7).

# 5. Do angels have great strength? Psalm 103:20.

"Bless the LORD, ye His angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His word."

#### 6. How quickly do they move? Ezekiel 1:14.

"And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning."

# 7. What job have they been given to do? Hebrews 1:14.

"Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?"

#### 8. Is it possible for us to meet an angel? Hebrews 13:2.

"Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."

#### 9. How do angels protect God's people from danger? Psalm 34:7.

"The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear Him, and delivereth them."

Here are a few stories of angels helping God's people in times of personal crisis:

1 Kings 19:1-8; "And Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to morrow about this time. And when he saw that, he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beersheba, which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there.

"But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree: and he requested for himself that he might die; and said, It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers. And as he lay and slept under a juniper tree, behold, then an angel touched him, and said unto him, Arise and eat. And he looked, and, behold, there was a cake baken on the coals, and a cruse of water at his head. And he did eat and drink, and laid him down again. And the angel of the LORD came again the second time, and touched him, and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee. And he arose, and did eat and drink, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights unto Horeb the mount of God."

Daniel 6:16-23; "Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the den of lions. Now the king spake and said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, He will deliver thee. 17 And a stone was brought, and laid upon the mouth of the den; and the king sealed it with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords; that the purpose might not be changed concerning Daniel. 18 Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting: neither were instruments of musick brought before him: and his sleep went from him. 19 Then the king arose very early in the morning, and went in haste unto the den of lions. 20 "And when he came to the den, he cried with a lamentable voice unto Daniel: and the king spake and said to Daniel, O Daniel, servant of the living God, is thy God, whom thou servest continually, able to deliver thee from the lions? 21 Then said Daniel unto the king, O king, live for ever. 22 My God hath sent His angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths, that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee, O king, have I done no hurt. 23 Then was the king exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God."

Acts 5:17-23; "Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with indignation, And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them in the common prison. But the angel of the Lord by night opened the prison doors, and brought them forth, and said, Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.

"And when they heard that, they entered into the temple early in the morning, and taught. But the high priest came, and they that were with him, and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought. But when the officers came, and found them not in the prison, they returned, and told, Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors: but when we had opened, we found no man within."

Acts 12:5-11. "Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him. And when Herod would have brought him forth, the same night Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, bound with two chains: and the keepers before the door

kept the prison. And, behold, the angel of the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison: and he smote Peter on the side, and raised him up, saying, Arise up quickly. And his chains fell off from his hands. And the angel said unto him, Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he saith unto him, Cast thy garment about thee, and follow me.

"And he went out, and followed him; and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel; but thought he saw a vision. When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; which opened to them of his own accord: and they went out, and passed on through one street; and forthwith the angel departed from him. And when Peter was come to himself, he said, Now I know of a surety, that the Lord hath sent His angel, and hath delivered me out of the hand of Herod, and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews."

# 10. How will God protect His people through disasters in the last days? Psalm 91:11.

"For He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways."

"Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. For the Lord shall be thy confidence, and shall keep thy foot from being taken." Proverbs 3:25, 26.

#### 11. Do angels protect children or just adults? Matthew 18:10.

"Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven."

#### 12. How does the Bible describe the loyalty of the angels to God? Psalm 103:20.

"Bless the LORD, ye His angels, that excel in strength, that do His commandments, hearkening unto the voice of His word."

#### 13. Did God spare the angels that sinned? 2 Peter 2:4.

"For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment;"

#### 14. What is sin? 1 John 3:4.

"Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law."

#### 15. Who is the leader of the rebellious angels? Revelation 12:9.

"And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

#### 16. What was his name before he fell? Isaiah 14:12.

"How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!"

#### 17. What position did he hold in heaven? Ezekiel 28:14.

"Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire."

#### 18. Did God create a sinful being? Ezekiel 28:15.

"Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee."

#### 19. What did Lucifer do for God to cast him out and take away his position? Ezekiel 28:16.

"By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire."

#### 20. What sin did he first commit in his heart? Ezekiel 28:17.

"Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee."

#### 21. Whose position did he desire? Isaiah 14:13, 14.

"For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:

14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High."

"Every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." Luke 18:14.

**22.** As a result of this rebellion, what took place in heaven? Revelation **12:7.** "And there was war in heaven: Michael and His angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,"

# 23. What percentage of the angels (symbolically referred to as "stars") joined Satan in his rebellion? Revelation 12:4.

"And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born."

#### 24. Was this rebellion successful? Revelation 12:8.

"And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven."

#### 25. What happened to Satan and his angels? Revelation 12:9.

"And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him."

#### 26. What condition are they now in? Jude 6.

"And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, He hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day."

The Bible speaks of the fallen angels as "unclean spirits," "evil spirits," and "devils." Their work of darkness is limited to this world. For an illustration of their destructive work upon man and beast when unrestrained by the mighty angels of God, read **Mark 5:1-13.** 

#### 27. What is Satan doing now? 1 Peter 5:8.

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour:"

#### 28. Why is he so desperately angry? Revelation 12:12.

"Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time."

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#### 29. What should we do to stand against him? Ephesians 6:11.

"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." Ephesians 6:12.

# 30. What armor do we need? Ephesians 6:13-18.

"Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; "Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints;"

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**31.** What three types of temptations does he use to get us to fall? 1 John 2:16. "For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father, but is of the world."

Although Satan makes his offers appear enticing, his purpose is to destroy people. **Job 1:6-22** unveils the real conflict going on behind the scenes over each one of us.

#### 32. How are we to overcome these assaults? James 4:7, 8.

"Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. 8 Draw nigh to God, and He will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded."

33. If we stay close to God, what promise may we claim when Satan bombards us? Isaiah 59:19.

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"So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and His glory from the rising of the sun. When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the LORD shall lift up a standard against him."

# 34. When we choose to yield our wills to God, how do the angels in heaven react? Luke 15:10.

"Likewise, I say unto you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth."

Thought Summary:

One-third of the angels transgressed God's law, were cast out of heaven, and are active on this earth.

God is preserving the lives of the wicked angels until the final Judgment Day.

We can choose to be on God's side, and receive His power to resist the snares of Satan and the other rebellious angels?