A Gathering of Angels

Angels Everywhere

Three Assumptions About the Supernatural

We are affected and can affect the supernatural realm

The bible assumes the supernatural as normative

Our knowledge is incomplete in regards to the relationship of the two

Angelic Creation

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The ongoing war

Angelic Timeline

Three Things We Know For Sure About Angels

Angels are created beings

They have freewill and choice

Angels have a part and role in Gods plan

"Humans are amphibians...half spirit and half animal...as spirits they belong to the eternal world, but as animals they inhabit time. This means that while their spirit can be directed to an eternal object, their bodies, passions, and imaginations are in continual change, for to be in time, means to change." **C.S. Lewis, The Screwtape Letters**

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Ephesians 6:12

The Christmas story only makes sense through the lens of the supernatural

Seraphim-Isaiah

Guardian-Elisha

Archangel-Daniel

Angel of the Lord-Moses

Types of Angels Seraphim

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord, high and exalted, seated on a throne; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Isaiah 6:1

Above him were seraphim, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory." vs 2-3

Types of Angels Seraphim

fiery burning ones

Each of the four living creatures had six wings and was covered with eyes all around, even under its wings. Day and night they never stop saying: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,' who was, and is, and is to come." Revelation 4:8

When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. "Oh no, my lord! What shall we do?" the servant asked. 2 Kings 6:15

"Don't be afraid," the prophet answered. "Those who are with us are more than those who are with them." vs 16

And Elisha prayed, "Open his eyes, Lord, so that he may see." Then the Lord opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha. vs 17

"See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that their ngels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven." Matthew 18:10

If anyone causes one of these little ones-those who believe in me-to stumble vs 6, vs 12-14

"You're out of your mind," they told her. When she kept insisting that it was so, they said, "It must be his angel." Acts 12:15

"our sages tell us that each mitzvah that we do creates an angel that serves as a shield and protection for us. After our passing, these angels testify on our behalf before the Heavenly Courts." Chaya Sarah Silberberg

For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; Psalm 91:1 (Messianic, Luke 4)

See, I am sending an angel ahead of you to guard you along the way and to bring you to the place I have prepared. Exodus 23:20

For the angel of the Lord is a guard; he surrounds and defends all who fear him. Psalm 34:7

Types of Angels Angels in Acts

They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. 1:10

But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the doors of the jail and brought them out. 5:19

Now an angel of the Lord said to Philip 8:26

He distinctly saw an angel of God, who came to him and said, "Cornelius!" 10:3

Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. "Quick, get up!" he said, and the chains fell off Peter's wrists. 12:7

Last night an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I serve stood beside me 27:23

On the twenty-fourth day of the first month, as I was standing on the bank of the great river, the Tigris, I looked up and there before me was a man dressed in linen, with a belt of fine gold from Uphaz around his waist. His body was like topaz, his face like lightning, his eyes like flaming torches, his arms and legs like the gleam of burnished bronze, and his voice like the sound of a multitude. Daniel 10:4-6

"Do not be afraid, Daniel. Since the first day that you set your mind to gain understanding and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to them. But the prince of the Persian kingdom resisted me twenty-one days. Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, because I was detained there with the king of Persia." vs 12-13

But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not himself dare to condemn him for slander but said, "The Lord rebuke you!" Jude 1:9

Then war broke out in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back. Revelation 12:7

> Whenever Michael appears, a fight is about to happen

Types of Angels Angel of the Lord

In the Old Testament an angel unlike others appears

Types of Angels Angel of the Lord Now Moses was tending the flock... Exodus 3:1

There the angel of the Lord appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. vs 2

When the Lord saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" vs 4

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Now when Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went up to him and asked, "Are you for us or for our enemies?" "Neither," he replied, "but as commander of the army of the Lord I have now come." Then Joshua fell facedown to the ground in reverence, and asked him, "What message does my Lord have for his servant?" The commander of the Lord's army replied, "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so. Joshua 5:13-15

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I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I had heard and seen them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who had been showing them to me. But he said to me, "Don't do that! I am a fellow servant with you and with your fellow prophets and with all who keep the words of this scroll. Worship God!" Revelation 22:8-9

Christmas isn't about Jesus arriving on earth, He had always been here. Christmas is about the Angel of the Lord putting on flesh to be visible to us.

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. **Colossians 1:15-17**

and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven vs 20