



~ Thought For The Day ~

~gathering from the 4 winds~

“come just as you are”

Refresh, Restore, Rebuild = Healing



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Prayer

God Father; in Jesus' name I ask it, Lord I give You the glory and praise for Your teaching and the instruction that You provide. Thank You for Your Word, Your Love letter to us, to teach us, and to raise us up in the way to go, and how to live. Thank You for supplying our needs and blessing us with our daily bread to nourish our bodies. Lord, most of all thank You for drawing us, for loving us even in the womb and calling us by name. Allow each person to hear and see what You are doing through out the world. Keep us and protect each of us and our families, in Jesus' name. Amen.

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Scripture

Hebrews 2 (2005)

Hebrews 2:1-18 (KJV)

- ¹Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let *them* slip.
- ²For if the word spoken by angels was steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just recompence of reward;
- ³How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard *him*;
- ⁴God also bearing *them* witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will?
- ⁵For unto the angels hath he not put in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak.
- ⁶But one in a certain place testified, saying, What is man, that thou art mindful of him? or the son of man, that thou visitest him?
- ⁷Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour, and didst set him over the works of thy hands:
- ⁸Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing *that is* not put under him. But now we see not yet all things put under him.
- ⁹But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.
- ¹⁰For it became him, for whom *are* all things, and by whom *are* all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.
- ¹¹For both he that sanctifieth and they who are sanctified *are* all of one: for which cause he is not ashamed to call them brethren,
- ¹²Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren, in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.
- ¹³And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which God hath given me.
- ¹⁴Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;

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- ¹⁵ And deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.
¹⁶ For verily he took not on *him the nature of angels*; but he took on *him* the seed of Abraham.
¹⁷ Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto *his* brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things *pertaining* to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.
¹⁸ For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.



Humanity, Not Angels, Will Rule

v. 7 , man is spoken of as "a little lower than the angels," but in 1:14 , angels are "sent to serve those who will inherit salvation." In 2 Peter 2:11 , angels are spoken of as stronger and more powerful. According to Hebrews 2:9 , Jesus was made a little lower than the angels. ("Little" in v. 7 and v. 9 may also mean "for a little while.") Whatever the nature of angels relative to the nature of human beings, this passage points to the ultimate grandeur of God's redeemed human creation. the fearful warning, in vv. 2-3 , that if disobeying the word of God spoken by angels was dangerous, how much more dangerous to neglect the words spoken by Jesus!

Hebrews 2:9-18. Christ's Unity with Humanity

created humanity to have lordship over all things (2:6-8). But not yet. Christ has become one with man, sharing with man his temptations, sufferings, even death itself, that He might enable humanity to become one with Him, to share with Him His nature and His rule. And because of this, Christ has been crowned with glory and honor. now mankind has the assurance that Christ is gracious, kind, and understanding, and will help those who love Him to become one with Him and thus qualify for His glorious inheritance (vv. 17-18).

(Halley's Bible Handbook; Henry Halley; 2000; Bible history & commentaries; pages 855-856)

The Humanity of Christ:

- V1 We should pay close attention to the words of Christ avoiding the danger of drifting away from our salvation through Him. Backsliding usually occurs gradually, and the writer of Hebrews did not want to see the Jewish Christians slip back into the laws of Judaism with its legal bondage and lose their joy and their first love for God (Revelation 2:4).
- V2 The word spoken by the angels in prophecy (Daniel 10) and in giving the Law (Acts 7:53) came to pass.
- V3 We have even more reason to carefully consider the words of Christ (John 15:1) and to receive our salvation through Him. Jesus first spoke of salvation, and the disciples who heard Him reported what He said.
- V4 God confirmed Jesus' words with signs and miracles, and the Holy Spirit confirmed His words by giving spiritual gifts (Acts 2:22).
- V6 Christ visited us when He became a man. V7 Man was made lower than the angels, but was put over God's creation. V8 Man forfeited the earth to Satan and now creation is not subject to man.
- V9 Jesus identified Himself with fallen man by taking on a human form and dying in our place. He could not have died as God, so He had to become a man to suffer and die for us.
- V10 Jesus is the object of creation as well as the Creator. He is the captain (trailblazer) of our salvation, for He has preceded us into glory and will lead us there. The word "perfect" here indicates completeness, a full maturity.
- V11 The Lord sanctified (consecrated, set apart for exclusive use) and calls us His brothers (John 15:15).
- V12 Psalm 22, a prophetic psalm dealing with the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus (Psalm 22:22). V13 Isaiah 8:17-18.
- V14 "Destroy" here means to put out of business. Jesus suffered and died to put Satan's power over us out of business. We have the power to reckon our flesh (our "old man") dead and give no place to sin in our lives. We can identify with Christ in His resurrection and enjoy life in the Promised Land for the Christian. We claim the cities in the land by faith and rejoice in the victory over the enemy.
- V15 Jesus came to set us free from the bondage of our flesh.
- V16 Jesus did not take on the nature of angels because He would not have understood man as well, and as an angel He could not die.
- V17 Since Jesus was a man, He is merciful and understanding because He knows what temptations and drives we are subject to.
- V18 Hebrews 2:18 (AMP)
- ¹⁸ For because He Himself [in His humanity] has suffered in being tempted (tested and tried), He is able [immediately] to run to the cry of (assist, relieve) those who are being tempted *and* tested *and* tried [and who therefore are being exposed to suffering]. (New Testament Study Guide; 2005; Chuck Smith; commentaries; page 149)

What a comfort to know that God provides angels to minister to and help us (see Hebrews 1:14)! Angels are everywhere even though we cannot see them. How can we increase the activity of angels in our lives? The Bible says that the angels of God are moved by the Word of God (see Psalm 103:20). This means they are not moved by complaining, grumbling, fear, worry, anxiety, or any other negative emotions that provoke negative comments. If we want angels to work in our lives, we must be careful about what we say.

Psalm 91 teaches us that God gives His angels charge over us to defend and protect us in all of our ways (of obedience and service). Angels will not help us if we disobey God or live selfish, self-centered lives. But, when we speak God's Word and walk in His will, angels are on the scene, helping us more than we can imagine.

I believe we have angels with us everywhere we go and that they keep us from harm. A friend of mine sat in a folding chair in a fishing boat on the lake. She was reading **Psalm 91** and thanking God for her angels when the boat suddenly hit a wave and knocked over her chair. She hit her head on the side of the boat, but she was not really harmed. She was rather distraught by the fact she fell and hit her head, so she asked God, "Where were my angels?" God spoke to her heart and said, "You are not dead, are you?" In other words, she may have hit her head, but it could have been much, much worse had her angels not been there.

I wonder how many times our angels save our lives and we do not even know it? How often do we complain about some minor bump in life without realizing that our angels protected us from a major crisis? Let us begin to be more thankful for all the divine, supernatural help that God gives us, including the angels He sends to assist and protect us
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Psalm 91:1-16 (AMP)

- ¹ HE WHO dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall remain stable *and* fixed under the shadow of the Almighty [Whose power no foe can withstand].
- ² I will say of the Lord, He is my Refuge and my Fortress, my God; on Him I lean *and* rely, *and* in Him I [confidently] trust!
- ³ For [then] He will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence.
- ⁴ [Then] He will cover you with His pinions, and under His wings shall you trust *and* find refuge; His truth *and* His faithfulness are a shield and a buckler.
- ⁵ You shall not be afraid of the terror of the night, nor of the arrow (the evil plots and slanders of the wicked) that flies by day,
- ⁶ Nor of the pestilence that stalks in darkness, nor of the destruction *and* sudden death that surprise *and* lay waste at noonday.
- ⁷ A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand, but it shall not come near you.
- ⁸ Only a spectator shall you be [yourself inaccessible in the secret place of the Most High] as you witness the reward of the wicked.
- ⁹ Because you have made the Lord your refuge, and the Most High your dwelling place,
- ¹⁰ There shall no evil befall you, nor any plague *or* calamity come near your tent.
- ¹¹ For He will give His angels [especial] charge over you to accompany *and* defend *and* preserve you in all your ways [of obedience and service].
- ¹² They shall bear you up on their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- ¹³ You shall tread upon the lion and adder; the young lion and the serpent shall you trample underfoot.
- ¹⁴ Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore will I deliver him; I will set him on high, because he knows *and* understands My name [has a personal knowledge of My mercy, love, and kindness—trusts and relies on Me, knowing I will never forsake him, no, never].
- ¹⁵ He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him.
- ¹⁶ With long life will I satisfy him and show him My salvation.

(Amplified Bible, The Everyday Life Bible, 2005, Joyce Meyers, Scripture, notes & commentaries, pages 2030 -2033)
(KJV; Word 9 Bible Software, 2005; Scripture, studies, notes, history; historical sermons)

Psa 119:105

Thy word [is] a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.



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