Angels From The Realms Of Glory! Matthew 1, Luke 1-2 Sermon Series: Behind The Music, Pt. 3 December 21, 2014

<u>Angels</u> from the realms of glory, Wing your flight o'er all the earth; Ye who sang creation's story, Now proclaim Messiah's birth: Come and worship, Come and worship, Worship Christ, the newborn King!

Answering The Most Common Questions About Angels

Question: What Do Angels Do?

Answer: They worship, praise, serve, and appear before God. They are also instruments of God's judgment, bring answered prayers, and aid in winning people to Christ. They encourage believers in times of danger and care for the righteous at the time of death. (Job 1:6; 2:1; 38:6-7; Psalm 103:20; 148:1-2; Isaiah 6:3; Luke 16:22; Acts 8:26; 10:3; 12:5-10; 27:23-24; 1 Corinthians 4:9; 11:10; Ephesians 3:10; 1 Peter 1:12; Revelation 5:8-13; 7:1; 8:2; 22:9)

<u>Question:</u> Do We Become Angels After We Die? Answer: NO

<u>2 Corinthians 5:8</u>, *We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.* **<u>Luke 15:10</u>**, *In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.*

Question: Do Angels Sing?

Answer: YES

Job 38:4, "Where were you when I laid the earth's foundation? ... ⁵Who marked off its dimensions?⁷ while the morning stars

sang together and all the angels shouted for joy? <u>Revelation 5:11</u>, Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. ... ¹²In a loud voice they were saying: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

<u>Ouestion:</u> Do Angels Have Wings? Answer: <u>SOME OF THEM DO</u>

Exodus 25:20, The <u>cherubim</u> are to have their wings spread upward, overshadowing the cover with them. The cherubim are to face each other, looking toward the cover.

Isaiah 6:1, 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. ²Above Him were <u>seraphim</u>, each with six wings: With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying.

<u>Ouestion:</u> Do We Have Specific Guardian Angels? Answer: <u>DON'T KNOW FOR SURE</u>

Hebrews 1:14, *Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to <u>serve</u> <i>those* who will inherit salvation?

<u>Matthew 18:10</u>, "See that you do not look down on one of these little ones. For I tell you that <u>their</u> angels in heaven always see the face of My Father in heaven."

What Did the Angels Do That First Christmas?

• Informed Mary She Would Be The Mother Of JESUS Luke 1:30, But the <u>angel</u> said to her, "<u>Do not be afraid</u>, Mary; you have found favor with God. ³¹You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call Him <u>Jesus</u>. ... ³⁴"How will this be," Mary asked the <u>angel</u>, "since I am a virgin?" ³⁵The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God." ³⁸"I am the Lord's servant," Mary answered. "May your word to me be fulfilled." Then the angel left her.

Redirected Joseph's <u>PLANS</u>

Matthew 1:20, But after he had considered this, an <u>angel</u> of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. ²¹She will give birth to a son, and you are to give Him the name Jesus, because He will save His people from their sins." ²²All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet: ²³"The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call Him <u>Immanuel</u>" (which means "God with us").

Informed The Shepherds Of <u>JESUS' BIRTH</u>

Luke 2:8-14, And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. ⁹An <u>angel</u> of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. ¹⁰But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; He is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹²This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger." ¹³Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, ¹⁴"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests."