

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

THE ROLE OF ANGELS

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PART 2: ANGELS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

GOD KNOWS THE FUTURE

Have you ever wondered about God's plan for this planet? Does God act or react to events on earth? God has the capacity to know the future and He plans responses according to His foreknowledge of the future. **Isaiah 46:9-10; 1 Corinthians 2:6-8; Hebrews 4:3**

THE PURPOSE OF ANGELS

God created the angels to be servants who would fashion and form the creation going according to His will. God has a written plan that directs what He wants done and how it is to be carried out. Mankind has never seen this extensive document given to the angels. **Daniel 4:13-17**

The angels who chose not rebel are referred to as God's holy angels. They are sinless and completely loyal to God; they do not deviate from the will of God and carry out their orders from God the Father. **Hebrews 1:13-14**

ANGEL ACTIVITIES

Here are some of the recorded angel activities in the Old Testament:

1. When Adam and Eve sinned, God ordered angels to guard the Tree of Life and deny Adam and Eve and their offspring access to the Garden of Eden. **Genesis 3:22-24**
2. When Jesus and two angels stopped and spoke with Abraham on their way to survey Sodom and Gomorrah. **Genesis 18:1-22**
3. Abraham knew that God would destroy the two cities and the surrounding countryside and he petitioned God to spare the cities. **verses 23-33**
4. Once the two angels arrived in Sodom, they protected Lot and his family, forced them to leave the city, and then destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah. **Genesis 19:1-29**
5. God sent an angel to Joshua. **Joshua 5:13-15**
6. God sent an angel to prepare Gideon for the work he was to do. **Judges 6:11-24**
7. God has special execution angels. **Ezekiel 8:1-3; 9:1-11**

