

## ANGELS AND OUR ATTITUDE TOWARD GOD

### Introduction

- A. Text: **Rev. 5:11,12**.
- B. Ultimately, we should study every subject with a view to its impact on our thinking about God Himself.
- C. Surely, what we are able to learn from God's word about His *angels* ought to impart a greater appreciation for the wisdom and power of God.

### I. GOD IS ACTIVE IN THE WORLD TODAY

- A. Though the kingdom of Christ has been completely established and God's message to man is now complete, God is still very much the Sovereign Ruler and Sustainer of this world - **Ac. 17:24-28; Col. 1:16,17**. Cf. **Phil. 3:20,21**.
- B. Angels are an important part of God's activity today - **Hb. 1:14**.

### II. WITHOUT GOD, OUR SPIRITUAL ADVERSARIES WOULD OVERCOME US

- A. Against us are arrayed the "spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places" (**Eph. 6:12**).
- B. Yet we worship a God who is greater than all His adversaries - **Rom. 8:37-39**.
- C. *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*.

### III. GREAT HELP IS AVAILABLE TO US IN JESUS CHRIST

- A. God is not unconcerned about our survival - **Rom. 8:31,32**. Cf. **Jd. 24,25**.
- B. God employs His angels in the service of our protection and salvation - **Psa. 34:7**.

### IV. GOD'S PURPOSES WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED

- A. If we learn nothing else from the Bible, at least we ought to learn that God will one day triumph over all that opposes Him.
- B. Whether we know the behind-the-scenes particulars or not, we know that angels have always been a part of God's working in the world - e.g. **Gen. 24:6,7,40**.

### V. GOD'S CREATION IS MUCH BIGGER THAN WE ARE

- A. Contemplation of the greatness of God's creation, including the angels, ought to restore our *perspective*: awe, reverence.
- B. We are but a part of a creation that is considerably more vast than ourselves.
- C. That truth ought not to frighten us, but certainly should humble us and adjust our perspective.

## Conclusion

- A. It is easy to ask many questions about angels that God has not given us the *answers* to — yet the very fact that God assures us that *His angels are His servants in the service of our salvation* ought to make a difference for good in our lives.
1. Comfort.
  2. Courage.
  3. Gratitude.
- B. In the battle against evil, we are not alone! “Those who are with us are more than those who are with them” (**2 Kgs. 6:16,17**).