

Additional Study Notes

THE SPIRIT WORLD—excerpts from Dake Annotated Reference Bible

The word "spirit" is found 551 Times in Scripture. From these references, the 297 times "angel" is found, and from over 20,000 others about God who is a spirit being, we learn all there is to know about the realm of the spirit or what is commonly known as **The Spirit World**—that is, all the various kinds of spirit beings that inhabit the unseen material worlds in space and under the earth (Php. 2:10; Rev. 5:3,13).

Ten Kinds of Spirit Beings Apart From God:

- 1). Seraphim (Isa. 6:1-7)
- 2). Cherubim (Gen. 3:24; Ezek. 1:5-28; 8:1-4; 10:1-22)
- 3). Zoa, or Living Creatures (Rev. 4:6--Rev. 5:14; 6:1-8; 7:11; 14:3,9-11; 15:7; 19:4)
- 4). Spirit animals shaped like the fleshly ones we have on earth (2Ki. 2:11-12; 6:13-17 Zech. 1:8-11; 6:1-8 Rom. 1:20; 2Cor. 12:1-4 Rev. 19:11-21)
- 5). Archangels, or chief angels who rule kingdoms and planets (Col. 1:15-18 1Th. 4:16; Jude 1:9)
 - Michael**, one of the chief princes, the prince of Israel (Dan. 10:13,21; 11:1; 12:1; 1Th. 4:16; Jude 1:9; Rev. 12:7-9)
 - Gabriel**, who stands before God (Dan. 8:16-19; 9:20-23; 10:8--Dan. 11:1; Lk. 1:19,26)
 - Lucifer**, the original ruler of the planet earth and present pseudo-ruler of man's dominion on earth (Isa. 14:12-14 Ezek. 28:11-17 Mt. 4:1-11 Lk. 10:18; Eph. 2:2; Rev. 12:7-9).
 - Unnamed princes of Persia and Grecia** (Dan. 10:13-11:1 Rev. 11:7; 17:8)
- 6). *Common angels (see notes below)
- 7). Demons (see note, Ps. 106:37)
- 8). Demon locusts (Rev. 9:1-11)
- 9). Demon horsemen (Rev. 9:12-21)
- 10). The inner man, or soul and spirit of human beings. (Jn.4:23-24, 1Thes.5:23, Eph.3:16, 1Pet.3:4)

NOTE: Common Angels:

- 1). The nature of angels. They are heavenly spirit beings with:

- i. Personal spirit bodies with bodily parts, as hands, feet, eyes, heads, voices, mouths, hair, faces, and other parts which men have (Gen. 18:2,4,8; 19:1-22 Judg. 13:6). See Appearances of Angels to Men.
- ii. Personal souls with emotions (Lk. 15:1-10), passions (Gen. 6:1-4, notes; Jude 1:6-7); appetites (Gen. 18:8; 19:3); anger (Rev. 12:12); enmity (Gen. 3:15); lusts (Jn. 8:44); vengeance (1Pet. 5:8); desires (1Pet. 1:12); pride (Ezek. 28:17; 1Tim. 3:6); and other soul passions, feelings, and desires
- iii. Personal spirits with intelligence and wisdom (2Sam. 14:20; 19:27; Mt. 24:36; Eph. 3:10); patience (Num. 22:22-35); meekness (2Pet. 2:11 Jude 1:9); modesty (1Cor. 11:10); holiness (Mk. 8:38); obedience (Ps. 103:20; Mt. 6:10); knowledge (Mk. 13:32; 1Pet. 1:12); willpower (Isa. 14:12-14); ability to speak languages (1Cor. 13:1); and other spirit faculties

2). General facts about angels. They are glorious (Lk. 9:26); immortal (Lk. 20:36); powerful and mighty in body (Isa. 37:36; 2Th. 1:7-10 Rev. 18:1); heavenly spirit beings (Ps. 104:4; Mt. 18:10; 22:30; 24:36; Heb. 1:14); not demons (Acts 23:8-9); limited in knowledge (Mk. 13:32); and higher than man (Ps. 8:5).

They need no rest (Rev. 4:8); can eat food (Gen. 18:8; 19:3; Ps. 78:25); appear visible and invisible (Num. 22:22-35 Jn. 20:12; Heb. 13:2); operate in the material realms (Gen. 18-19; 22:11; 2Sam. 24; 2Ki. 19:35; Acts 1,12); travel at inconceivable speed (Ezek. 1; Rev. 8:13; 9:1) ascend and descend (Gen. 28:12; Jn. 1:51); speak languages (1Cor. 13:1); and can do anything man can do, including sin.

They were created by Christ before the earth (Job 38:4-7 Ps. 148:2-5 Col. 1:16); are not to be worshiped (Col. 2:18); are organized into principalities and powers with thrones (Col. 1:16; 2:18; Rom. 8:38; Eph. 6:10-18 1Pet. 3:22); are innumerable (Lk. 2:13; Heb. 12:22); to be judged or ruled by saints (1Cor. 6:3); are subject to God (Mt. 22:30); interested in earthly affairs (Lk. 9:26; 15:7-10 1Tim. 5:21; 1Pet. 1:12); and are being taught wisdom by the church (1Cor. 4:9; Eph. 3:10). They desire to look into the things of salvation (1Pet. 1:10-12); observe us (1Cor. 4:9); can cook (1Ki. 19:5-7); wear garments (Jn. 20:12); appear unawares (Heb. 13:2); have been tested (Job 4:18 1Tim. 5:21); dwell in heaven (Rev. 12:12; 13:6); stand before God (2Chr. 18:18). Christ is better than angels (Heb. 1:5--Heb. 2:16).

3). The work of angels. They carry on work daily and meet responsibilities that only beings with personal bodies, souls, and spirits are capable of:

- i. They drive spirit horses (2Ki. 2:12; 6:13-17 Zech. 1:7-11; 6:1-6).

- ii. They guard gates (Rev. 21:12).
- iii. They wage war in actual physical combat (2Th. 1:7-10 Rev. 12:7-9).
- iv. They execute judgments (Gen. 19; 2Sam. 24; 2Ki. 19:35; 2Chr. 32:21; Ps. 78:49; Mt. 13:41-42 Acts 12:23; Rev. 8:1--Rev. 9:21; Rev. 15:1--Rev. 16:2).
- v. They minister to saints (1Ki. 19:5-7 Dan. 6:22; Mt. 4:11; Acts 10; Heb. 1:14).
- vi. They rule nations (Dan. 10:13-21; 12:1).
- vii. They help each individual (Mt. 18:10).
- viii. They sing, praise, and worship God (Ps. 103:20; 148:2; Lk. 2:13; Rev. 5:11).
- ix. They strengthen in trial (Mt. 4:11; Lk. 22:43).
- x. They lead sinners to gospel workers (Acts 10:3).
- xi. They direct preachers (Acts 8:26; 27:23).
- xii. They appear in dreams (Mt. 1:20-24; 2:13-19).
- xiii. They minister before God (Rev. 8:2; 14:15-19).
- xiv. They bind Satan (Rev. 20).
- xv. They guard the abyss (Rev. 9:1; 20:1-3).
- xvi. They regather Israel (Mt. 24:31).
- xvii. They protect saints (Ps. 34:7; 91:11; Acts 12:7-10).
- xviii. They separate the good and bad (Mt. 13:39-41).
- xix. They accompany Christ to earth (Mt. 16:27; 25:31; 2Th. 1:7-10).
- xx. They witness confessions (Lk. 15:8-9).
- xxi. They receive departed spirits (Lk. 16:22).
- xxii. They give laws (Acts 7:53; Heb. 2:2).
- xxiii. They guard the tree of life (Gen. 3:24).
- xxiv. They give revelations (2Ki. 1:15; Dan. 8:19; 9:21-23; 10:10-20).
- xxv. They impart God's will (Acts 5:19-20; 10:1-6).
- xxvi. They bring answers to prayers (Dan. 9:21-23; 10:12-13 Acts 10).

4). Angels are called:

- i. Watchers (Dan. 4:13-23)
- ii. Sons of the mighty (Ps. 89:6)
- iii. Sons of God (Gen. 6:1-4 Job 1:6; 2:1; 38:7)
- iv. Congregation of the mighty (Ps. 82:1)
- v. Saints (Ps. 89:7)
- vi. Hosts (Ps. 33:6; 103:21; Lk. 2:13)
- vii. Spirits (Heb. 1:14)
- viii. The elect (1Tim. 5:21)

5). Satan's angels.

- i. They are made subject to Christ (1Pet. 3:22);
- ii. are sinful and rebellious (Job 4:18; 2Pet. 2:4; Jude 1:6-7 Rev. 12:7-9);
- iii. evil (Ps. 78:49);
- iv. to be punished (Isa. 24:21-23; 25:7; Mt. 24:41; Jude 1:6-7);
- v. to be cast out of heaven (Rev. 12:7-9);
- vi. will fight against Christ at Armageddon (Isa. 24:21-23; 25:7; Rev. 12:7-9; 19:11-21);
- vii. are organized into principalities and powers (Eph. 1:21; 3:10; 6:10-17 Col. 2:10,15; Rev. 12:7-12).
- viii. They deceive men (2Cor. 11:14);
- ix. oppose saints (Rom. 8:38 Eph. 6:10-18);
- x. fell originally with Lucifer (Isa. 14:12-14 Ezek. 28:11-17 Mt. 24:41; Rev. 12:7-12);
- xi. hell is prepared for them (Mt. 24:41).

6). There are two classes of fallen angels:

- i. those bound (2Pet. 2:4; Jude 1:6-7 Rev. 9:11,14; 11:7; 17:8)
- ii. and those who are still loose with Satan and who will be cast down to the earth in the middle of Daniel's seventieth week in the future tribulation (Rev. 12:7-12 Eph. 6:10-17).

The reason some of Satan's angels are now bound (Gen. 6:1-4 2Pet. 2:4; Jude 1:6-7).