ANGELS WHAT ARE THEY LIKE?

Are These Biblical Angels?









Angels like Scary "Men" Lk.24:4 & Dan. 10

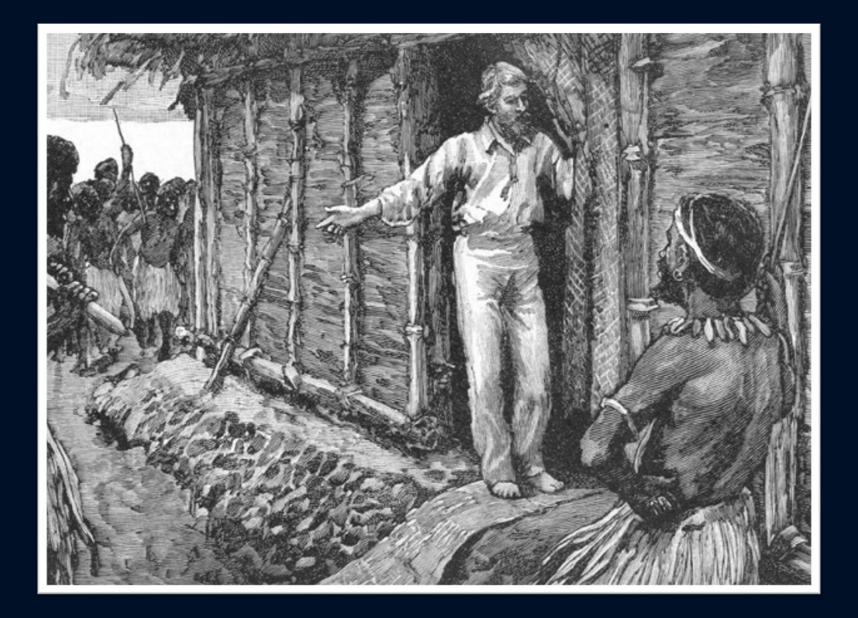
- Dazzling clothing
- Body like a precious stone
- Face like lightning
- Eyes like torches
- Voice like the roar of a crowd
- "Fear not"—logical first words!

Angels like Normal "Men" Gen. 18-19

- Ate with Abraham & Lot
- Looked like handsome men
- Powerful (able to rescue Lot from the mob)
- Able to blind the men in the mob
- Obedient to God's will to both evacuate Lot & destroy the cities

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- Ministering Spirits
- Serving those who are saved
- As spirits, they are not bound by physical bodies.
- We can't usually see them—unless God wants us to.
- They can disappear (Acts 12:10).

Other Ways They Differ from Us

- Not former humans—people who die do not become angels.
- "But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to myriads of angels, ... and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect" (Heb. 12:22-23).

Ways Angels Differ from Humans

- They do not reproduce.
- They do not die.
- Luke 20:35-36
- God created them before He created our physical world
- Job 38:7—They rejoiced at creation.

Other Personal Traits

- They have emotions (such as joy and compassion).
- They worship and praise God.
- They are quick to obey.
- They are able to encourage and strengthen believers.

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- They are intelligent and have been observing humanity as long as we've existed. Daniel calls them "watchers" (4:13, 17).
- Unfortunately, at one time about 1/3 of them had a will to rebel against God (Rev. 12).

Angels do have limits.

- They minister externally, while the Holy Spirit is internal.
- Each angel can be in only one place at a time (Dan. 10).
- They are not all-knowing (1 Pet.1:12).
- They can be hindered by evil spirits and need to help one another (Dan. 10).

Holy Angels can teach us much:

- Obey God instantly.
- Be watching His face to know His will.
- Be always praising and worshipping Him.
- Use power to serve others, not for selfish gain.