

NW Bible Church – Angels, Devils, and the Dead

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LESSON –ANGELS WITH SYMBOLIC FORMS AND ROLES

1. Angels often depicted simply in the same form as a man (last week)
2. Cherubim – No clue to form, name means to cover or guard, has connotations of intercession
 - a. Genesis 3:24 (guarding tree)
 - b. Exodus 25:10-22 (18-20) (carvings on Ark)
 - c. Ezekiel 28:12-19 (14) – Satan was a cherub
3. Angels described without naming type; Living beings – Ezekiel 1 (1:5-10), Revelation 4:6-8,
4. Named Cherubim in Ezekiel 10 (10:12-14)
5. Seraphim – only named in Isaiah 6:1-7, name means fiery – 6 wings

Note that Messengers, Guards, Intercessors, Living Beings, and Fiery are all descriptors – but do not necessarily demark different 'kinds' of angels – the variance seems to be that certain angels are described in particularly elaborate form in visions. Otherwise, we simply have multiple terms by which angels are referred to.

6. Watchers – Daniel 4:13, 17, 23 – Note decree of the 'Watcher' is the decree of "The Most High" (v24) does not equate the Watcher to God, but that his decree is by God's direction.
7. Horsemen – Zechariah, Revelation
 - a. Revelation 6:1-8 (white, red, black, pale/ashen)
 - b. Zechariah 1:8-11 (red, red, sorrel [chestnut], white), 6:1-7 (red, black, white, dappled)
8. Sons of God – Job 1:6, 2:1, 38:7 – Genesis 6:2, 4 – Obviously referring to angels, and used of both fallen (Genesis) and unfallen (Job) angels