



“Are not all angels’ spirits in the Divine Service, sent to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?” (Hebrews 1:14)

My Beloved Children,



Angels love God so much that they are always in His continual service. They serve as God’s spiritual messengers and attend His Holy Throne. Because of their devotion and service to God, angels are exceedingly *mighty* and are exalted far above the human nature of man.

There are references of *mighty angels* in the Holy Bible following the Glorious Resurrection delivering very important messages to those the Lord Jesus Christ personally taught to continue His ministry in the important days to come.

To announce the Glorious Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, at the tomb, after the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week an Angel of the Lord spoke to Mary Magdalene and the other Mary when they approached saying, ***“Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as He said. Come and see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples, He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see Him. Now I have told you.” (Matthew 28: 5-7)***

When the Lord Jesus Christ showed Himself to the disciples following the Glorious Resurrection, He spoke to them about the Kingdom of God over a period of forty days. After this the Lord Jesus Christ ascended into Heaven before their very eyes and a great cloud came and hid Him from their sight. As they were looking up suddenly two men (*mighty angels*) dressed in white stood beside the disciples and said, ***“Men of Galilee, why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from***



you into Heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen Him go into Heaven.” (Acts 1:9-11) These angels came to say comforting and reassuring words to the disciples.

An Angel of the Lord would appear to the Lord Jesus Christ’s holy disciples following the Ascension on many occasions to bring them comfort in dire situations. Angels encouraged the disciples in the ministry of the early church following the Pentecost when they would endure great persecutions often taking their very earthly life.

At the most difficult of times when the disciples seem to need God the most, He often would send them a Mighty Angel.

An Angel of the Lord would bring the disciples out of prison by opening the doors of the jail; rescue St Peter from prison by making the chains leave his wrist and leading him between the guards and then making the iron gate leading into the city open; an angel of the Lord came to St Paul on a ship to tell him he must stand trial before Caesar and to be strong.



St Peter

Just as these mighty angels, we must love and serve the Lord. This is the way in which our Church will always grow and be strong.

God bless you,

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