

# Thrones, Dominions, Rulers and Authorities – “Angelology”

1:16 – “For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.”

3754 [e]	1722 [e]	846 [e]	2936 [e]	3588 [e]	3956 [e]	1722 [e]	3588 [e]	3772 [e]	2532 [e]	1909 [e]	3588 [e]	1093 [e]
hoti	en	autō	ektisthē	ta	panta	en	tois	ouranois	kai	epi	tēs	gēs
16 ὅτι	ἐν	αὐτῷ	ἐκτίσθη	τὰ	πάντα	ἐν	τοῖς	οὐρανοῖς	καὶ	ἐπὶ	τῆς	γῆς ,
because	in	Him	were created	-	all things	in	the	heavens	and	upon	the	earth
Conj	Prep	PPro-DM3S	V-AIP-3S	Art-NNP	Adj-NNP	Prep	Art-DMP	N-DMP	Conj	Prep	Art-GFS	N-GFS

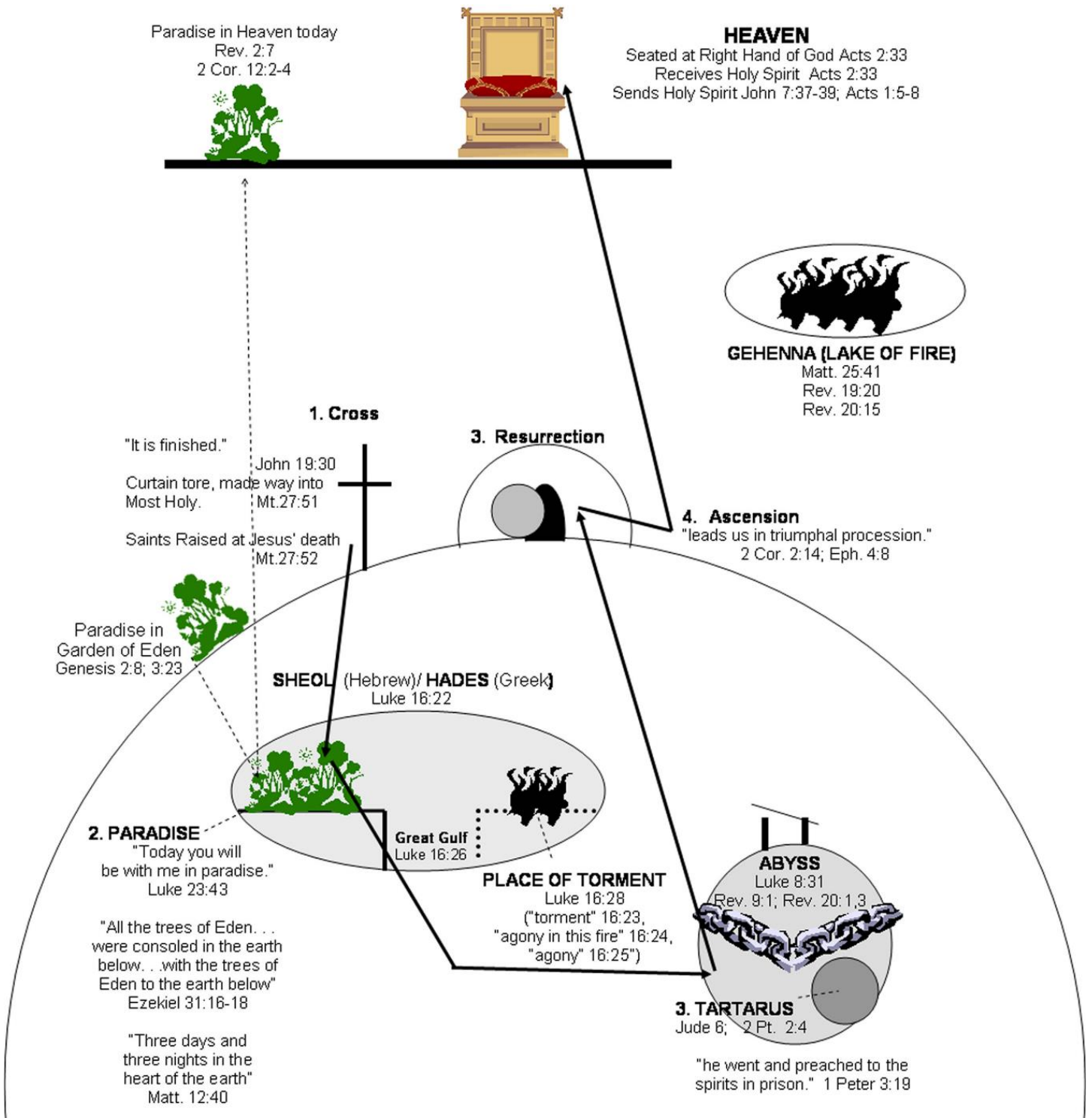
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the	visible	and	the	invisible	whether	thrones	or	dominions	or	rulers	or
Art-NNP	Adj-NNP	Conj	Art-NNP	Adj-NNP	Conj	N-NMP	Conj	N-NFP	Conj	N-NFP	Conj

1849 [e]	3588 [e]	3956 [e]	1223 [e]	846 [e]	2532 [e]	1519 [e]	846 [e]	2936 [e]
exousiai	ta	panta	di'	autou	kai	eis	auton	ektistai
ἐξουσίαι ;	τὰ	πάντα	δι'	αὐτοῦ	καὶ	εἰς	αὐτὸν	ἐκτίσται .
authorities	-	all things	through	Him	and	unto	Him	have been created
N-NFP	Art-NNP	Adj-NNP	Prep	PPro-GM3S	Conj	Prep	PPro-AM3S	V-RIM/P-3S

1. *Oti* – “because”, “for” - the proof of his supremacy “FOR” or “BECAUSE” (“*oti*”).
2. *en auto* is “in him” or “by him” meaning he is the sphere.
3. *Panta* is “all things”
  - a. Used 2x in this verse
  - b. “all things” was used in Paul’s day as the word “universe” is used by us in our day.
  - c. *Panta* means the totality of creation
4. Three phrases indicate the relationship of his person and his acts for stating his supremacy:
  - a. “**in him**” or “**by him**” (1:16a) refers to “in his mind” or “in his sphere of influence and responsibility.”
    - i. In what was eternally him and his.
    - ii. Jesus conceived of creation and all that it is and would be.
    - iii. Jesus was the architect and engineer of creation.
  - b. “**through him**” or “**by him**” (1:16b) means he produced his idea with his power and his ability.
    - i. John 1:1 – “*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*”
    - ii. Hebrews 1:1-4 – “*Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact*

*imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs."*

- c. **"for him"** (1:16b) the goal of all of creation was for his purpose and plan.
5. "Heaven" here is the unseen, spiritual heavenlies of Eph. 1:3,20; 2:6; 3:10, non-material world without space, time, matter.
6. "Earth" is the temporal world or the "Heavens and Earth" (universe) of Creation with time, space, matter
7. Spiritual beings and classes of angelic beings.
  - a. These have dominant place in this epistle
  - b. Discussed in 2:8-3:4
    - i. "Thrones" – meaning "throne", "a king's throne", "seat of power"
    - ii. "Powers" – "Dominion" – *kyriotetos* – "lordship", "domination", "dignity".
      1. It refers to lordship and is used only 4x in the NT to identify divine or angelic lordship, domination, dignity.
      2. Most often it is used with reference to a celestial hierarchy:
        - a. Ep. 1:21
        - b. 2 Peter 2:10 – "and to keep the unrighteous under punishment until the day of judgment, and especially those who indulge in the lust of defiling passion and despise authority."
        - c. Jude 1:8 – "Yet in like manner these people also, relying on their dreams, defile the flesh, reject authority, and blaspheme the glorious ones."
    - iii. "Rulers" – *archas* – from *arche* defined as "beginning, origin" and used to refer to "rule in the kingly or magisterial sense" and quasi-personal ("quasi" meaning "seemingly" or "apparently but not really") sense as "rulers" and "magistrates" and then simply as "beginning".
    - iv. "Authorities" – *exousias* – power, authority, weight.
      1. It refers to power and authority especially moral authority and influence.
      2. In later Judaism it developed into use as a spiritual power and soon was used to refer to a temporal, governmental power.
      3. This word *exousia* is built with the following:
        - a. the preposition *ek-* (meaning "out from") intensifying the word *eimi*.
        - b. *eimi* which means "to be" or "being as a right/privilege" making the full word mean "conferred power", "given authority", "delegated empowerment" and "operating in a designated jurisdiction."
        - c. Matthew 7:29 says Jesus spoke as one having authority; Matthew 8:9 the Centurion said he was a man under authority.
        - d. It is used 102 times in the NT and translated as authorities (7x) authority (65) charge, control, domain, dominion, jurisdiction, liberty, power, right.



## Underworld Verses:

1. Sheol – an intermediate state where souls are dealt with according to their lives on earth.
  - a. 65x in the OT and is translated as:
    - i. “grave”
    - ii. “hell”
    - iii. “sheol”
  - b. Used in:
    - i. 35x in the **Writings** which are 24 Hebrew books in the Old Testament. The Writings consists of Psalms, Proverbs, Job, the Song of Songs, Ruth, Lamentations, Ecclesiastes, Esther, Daniel, Ezra-Nehemiah (one book), First and Second Chronicles (one book)—24 books in total.
    - ii. 7x in the **Law** which are Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy – 5 books.
    - iii. 19x in the **Prophets** which are:
      1. Former Prophets =
        - a. Joshua,
        - b. Judges,
        - c. 1 and 2 Samuel (one book),
        - d. 1 and 2 Kings (one book)
      2. Latter Prophets =
        - a. Isaiah,
        - b. Jeremiah,
        - c. Ezekiel,
        - d. the Twelve Minor Prophets (one book)
          - i. Hosea
          - ii. Joel
          - iii. Amos
          - iv. Obadiah
          - v. Jonah
          - vi. Micah
          - vii. Nahum
          - viii. Habakkuk
          - ix. Zephaniah
          - x. Haggai
          - xi. Zechariah
          - xii. Malachi
  - c. Described in Scripture:
    - i. Psalm 89:48 – *“What man can live and never see death? Who can deliver his soul from the power of Sheol?”*
    - ii. Job 7:9-10 – *“As the cloud fades and vanishes, so he who goes down to Sheol does not come up; he returns no more to his house, nor does his place know him anymore.”*
    - iii. Genesis 37:35 – *“All his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him, but he refused to be comforted and said, “No, I shall go down to Sheol to my son, mourning.” Thus his father wept for him.”*

- iv. Psalm 9:17 – “*The wicked shall return to Sheol, all the nations that forget God.*”
- v. Psalm 49:15 – “*But God will ransom my soul from the power of Sheol, for he will receive me.*”
- vi. Psalm 86:13 – “*For great is your steadfast love toward me; you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.*”
- vii. Proverbs 15:11 – “*Sheol and Abaddon lie open before the Lord; how much more the hearts of the children of man!*”

120 [e]	1121 [e]	3826 [e]	3588 [e]	637 [e]	3069 [e]	5048 [e]	11 [e]	7585 [e]
'ā·dām.	bē·nê-	lib·bō·wṭ	kī-	'ap,	Yah·weh;	ne·ged	wa'·ä·bad·dō·wn	šə'·ō·wl
אָדָם:	בְּנֵי-	לְבוֹת	כִּי-	אֵפ	יְהוָה	נֶגֶד	וַאֲבַדְדוֹן	שְׁאוֹל
of men	of the sons	the hearts	so	how much more	Yahweh	before	and Destruction [are]	Hell
N-ms	N-mpc	N-mpc	Conj	Conj	N-proper-ms	Prep	Conj-w   N-ms	N-cs

viii. Amos 9:2 – “*If they dig into Sheol, from there shall my hand take them; if they climb up to heaven, from there I will bring them down.*”

d. Translated into Greek in the LXX (Septuagint) as “*hades*” 61x

## 2. Hades

- a. Matthew 11:23 – “*And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You will be brought down to Hades. For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day.*”
- b. Matthew 16:18 – “*And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell [“hades”] shall not prevail against it.*”
- c. Acts 2:27-31 – “*For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption.*”
- d. (Never found in Epistles)
- e. Revelation uses Hades 3x and always followed by “death” meaning “hades” and “death” are not the same thing in Revelation
  - i. Revelation 20:13-15 - “*And the sea gave up the dead who were in it, Death and Hades (*Thanatos* θάνατος and *hades* ᾗδης) gave up the dead who were in them, and they were judged, each one of them, according to what they had done. Then Death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire (*limne tou pyros* from λίμνη τοῦ πυρός). This is the second death, the lake of fire. And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.*”

## 3. Paradise

- a. *Pardes* in Hebrew OT 3x
  - i. Song of Solomon 4:13 – “orchard”
  - ii. Nehemiah 2:8 – “forest”
  - iii. Ecclesiastes 2:5 – “parks”
- b. Greek word *paradeisos* is used 27x in the LXX (Greek translation of the OT) to translate the Hebrew *pardes* and the Hebrew word for “garden” גַּן /gan/
  - i. To refer to the Garden of Eden”
    - 1. Genesis 2:8,9,10 - “*And the Lord God planted a garden in Eden, in the east, and there he put the man whom he had formed. And out of the ground the Lord God made*”

*to spring up every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The **tree of life** was in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. A river flowed out of Eden to water the garden, and there it divided and became four rivers. The name of the first is the Pishon. It is the one that flowed around the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold.”*

2. Genesis 2:15-16 -

c. *Paradeisos* is used 3x in the New Testament:

- i. Luke 23:43 – “And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.”
- ii. 2 Corinthians 12:3-4 – “ And I know that this man was caught up into paradise— whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter.”
- iii. Revelation 2:7 – “To the one who conquers I will grant to eat of **the tree of life**, which is in the paradise of God.”
- iv. Ezekiel 31:15-17 – ““Thus says the Lord God: On the day the cedar went down to Sheol I caused mourning; I closed the deep over it, and restrained its rivers, and many waters were stopped. I clothed Lebanon in gloom for it, and all the trees of the field fainted because of it. I made the nations quake at the sound of its fall, when I cast it down to Sheol with those who go down to the pit. And all the trees of Eden, the choice and best of Lebanon, all that drink water, were comforted in the world below. They also went down to Sheol with it, to those who are slain by the sword; yes, those who were its arm, who lived under its shadow among the nations.

4. Abraham’s side

- a. Luke 16:19-31 - READ

5. Place of Torment

6. Abyss

- a. Luke 8:31 – “
- b. Revelation 9:1 – “
- c. Revelation 20:1, 3 – “

7. Tartarus - a Greek name for the under-world; to send into the subterranean abyss reserved for demons and the dead. In Greek mythology, Tartarus was a "place of punishment under the earth, to which the Titans were sent.

- a. 2 Peter 2:4 – “For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell (Tartarus) and committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment.”

1487 [e]	1063 [e]	3588 [e]	2316 [e]	32 [e]	264 [e]	3756 [e]	5339 [e]	235 [e]	4577 [e]	2217 [e]
Ei	gar	ho	Theos	angelon	hamartēsantōn	ouk	epeisato	alla	seirais	zophou
4 Ei	γὰρ	ὁ	Θεὸς	ἀγγέλων	ἁμαρτησάντων	, οὐκ	ἐφείσατο	, ἀλλὰ	σειραῖς*	ζόφου
If	for	-	God	[the] angels	having sinned	not	spared	but	in chains	of gloomy darkness
Conj	Conj	Art-NMS	N-NMS	N-GMP	V-APA-GMP	Adv	V-AIM-3S	Conj	N-DFP	N-GMS

5020 [e]	3860 [e]	1519 [e]	2920 [e]	5083 [e]
tartarōsas	paredōken	eis	krisin	tērōmenous
ταρταρώσας ,	παρέδωκεν ,	εἰς	κρίσιν	τηρουμένων ;
having cast [them] down to Tartarus	delivered [them]	for	judgment	being kept
V-APA-NMS	V-AIA-3S	Prep	N-AFS	V-PPM/P-AMP

- b. Jude 6 – “the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day
8. Gehenna
- a. from Hebrew *ge Hinnom*, or “Valley of Hinnom” or “Valley of the Sons of Hinnom” south of Jerusalem.
  - b. It became a burning garbage pit.
  - c. Used 11x in Matthew, Mark and Luke
  - d. Used 1x in James 3:6 – “And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness. The tongue is set among our members, staining the whole body, setting on fire the entire course of life, and set on fire by hell.”
9. Lake of Fire - *limne tou pyros* from λίμνη του πυρός
10. Hell – refers to a place of future punishment for the wicked dead and translates words such as:
- a. Lake of Fire
  - b. Gehenna
  - c. Sheol
  - d. Hades
  - e. Tartarus

### “Angel”

- 1. Hebrew – מַלְאָךְ - */malak/* = “a messenger”
- 2. Greek – ἄγγελος - */ang-el-os/* = “a messenger”

### CREATION

- 1. Psalm 148:2, 5 -  
“Praise him, all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!... Let them praise the name of the Lord! For he commanded and they were created.”
- 2. Job 38:4-7 -  
“Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when **the morning stars** sang together and all **the sons of God** shouted for joy

  - a. “morning stars” – כּוֹכְבֵי בֹקֶר - */kowkbe boqer/* = “the stars morning”
  - b. “sons of God” – בְּנֵי אֱלֹהִים - */bə-nê ’ě-lō-hîm/* = “the sons of God”

### RANK IN CREATION

- 1. Psalm 8:3-5 -  
“When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him?  
Yet you have made him a little lower **than the heavenly beings** and crowned him with glory and honor.”

  - a. “the heavenly beings” –
    - i. Masoretic – f – “God” – מְאֲלֹהִים - */me-e-lo-him/* - “God”

- ii. Septuagint (Gr) “than the angels” – παρ’ ἀγγέλους– *par’angelous* - “of the angels”

5849 [e]	1926 [e]	3519 [e]	430 [e]	4592 [e]	2637 [e]
tə-‘at-ṭə-rê-hū.	wə-hā-dār	wə-kā-bō-wd	mê-‘è-lō-hîm;	mə-‘at	wat-ṭə-ḥas-sə-rê-hū
תַּעֲטֹרֶהוּ	וַהֲדָר	וְכָבוֹד	מֵאֲלֹהִים	מְעַט	וַתַּחֲסִרֶהוּ
You have crowned him	and honor	and with glory	than the angels	a little	For You have made him lower
V-Piel-Imperf-2ms   3ms	Conj-w   N-ms	Conj-w   N-ms	Prep-m   N-mp	Adj-ms	Conj-w   V-Piel-ConseclImperf-2ms   3ms

b. Hebrews 2:5-8 -

“For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere:

‘What is man, that you are mindful of him, or the son of man, that you care for him?

You made him for a little while lower than the angels; you have crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet.’ ”

2. First Peter 3:22 –

“the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.”

CHARACTER and DESCRIPTION:

1. “living creatures”

Revelation 4:6 – “And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind.”

2. “angels” or “messenger”

“Daniel 4:13 – “I saw in the visions of my head as I lay in bed, and behold, a watcher, a holy one, came down from heaven. He proclaimed aloud and said thus: ‘Chop down the tree and lop off its branches, strip off its leaves and scatter its fruit. Let the beasts flee from under it and the birds from its branches.’ ”

4481 [e]	6922 [e]	5894 [e]	431 [e]	4903 [e]	5922 [e]	7217 [e]	2376 [e]	1934 [e]	2370 [e]
min-	wə-qad-dīš,	‘îr	wa-‘ā-lū	miš-ke-bî;	‘al-	rê-šî	bə-ḥez-wé	hā-wét	hā-zêh
מִן־	וְקָדִישׁ	עֵיר	וְאֵלֹ	מִשְׁכְּבִי	עַל־	רֵאשִׁי	בְּחִזְוִי	הִנֵּית	הִנֵּה
from	and a holy one	a watcher	and there was	my bed	[while] on	of my head	in the visions	I	Saw
Prep	Conj-w   Adj-ms	N-ms	Conj-w   Interjection	N-msc   1cs	Prep	N-msc   1cs	Prep-b   N-mpc	V-Qal-Perf-1cs	V-Qal-Prtcpl-ms

עֵיר - eer - "ir" = "waking one", "wakeful one"

קָדִישׁ - kad-deesh - "qaddish" = "holy"

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nā-ḥîṭ.	šə-may-yā
בָּהֵרֵד:	שָׁמַיָּא
coming down	heaven
V-Qal-Prtcpl-ms	N-mdd

3. “angels of God”

John 1:51 – “And he said to him, ‘Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man.’ ”

4. “elect angels”

1 Timothy 5:21 – “In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of the elect angels I charge you to keep these rules without prejudging, doing nothing from partiality.”

5. “holy angels”

Revelation 14:9-10 – “And another angel, a third, followed them, saying with a loud voice, ‘If anyone worships the beast and its image and receives a mark on his forehead or on his hand, he also will drink the wine of God's wrath, poured full strength into the cup of his anger, and he



will be tormented with fire and sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.’ ”

6. “mighty angels”

2 Thessalonians 1:6-8 – “since indeed God considers it just to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to grant relief to you who are afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus.

7. “chief prince”

Daniel 10:13 – “The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with the kings of Persia,

8. “ministers”

Psalm 104:4 – “

9. “sons of God”

a. Job 1:6-7 – “Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them. The Lord said to Satan, ‘From where have you come?’ Satan answered the Lord and said, ‘From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.’ ”

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le·hit·yaš·šêb	hā'è·lō·hîm,	bē·nê	way·yā·bō'û	hay·yō·wm,	way·hî
להתיצב	האלהים	בני	ויבאו	היום	ויקי 6
to present themselves	of God the sons		and when came	a day	And there was
Prep-I   V-Hitpael-Inf	Art   N-mp	N-mpc	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3mp	Art   N-ms	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3ms

8432 [e]	7854 [e]	1571 [e]	935 [e]	3068 [e]	5921 [e]
bē·tō·w·kām.	haš·šā·ṭān	gam-	way·yā·bō·w	Yah·weh;	'al-
בתוכם	השטן	גם	ויבוא	יהוה	על-
among them	Satan	also	and came	Yahweh	before
Prep-b   N-msc   3mp	Art   N-ms	Conj	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3ms	N-proper-ms	Prep

b. Job 2:1 – “Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the Lord, and Satan also came among them to present himself before the Lord. And the Lord said to Satan, ‘From where have you come?’ Satan answered the Lord and said, ‘From going to and fro on the earth, and from walking up and down on it.’ ”

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על-	להתיצב	האלהים	בני	ויבאו	היום	ויקי 1
before	to present themselves	of God the sons		and when came	a day	And Again there was
Prep	Prep-I   V-Hitpael-Inf	Art   N-mp	N-mpc	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3mp	Art   N-ms	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3ms

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Yah·weh.	'al-	le·hit·yaš·šêb	bē·tō·kām,	haš·šā·ṭān	gam-	way·yā·bō·w	Yah·weh;
יהוה	על-	להתיצב	בתוכם	השטן	גם	ויבוא	יהוה
Yahweh	before	to present himself	among them	Satan	also	and came	Yahweh
N-proper-ms	Prep	Prep-I   V-Hitpael-Inf	Prep-b   N-msc   3mp	Art   N-ms	Conj	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3ms	N-proper-ms

c. Genesis 6:2, 4 – “When man began to multiply on the face of the land and daughters were born to them, the sons of God saw that the daughters of man were attractive. And they took as their wives any they chose. Then the Lord said, “My Spirit shall not abide in man forever, for he is flesh: his days shall be 120 years.” The **Nephilim** were on the

earth in those days, and also afterward, when the sons of God came in to the daughters of man and they bore children to them. These were the **mighty men** who were of old, the **men of renown**.

2007 [e] hên-nâh;	2896 [e] tò-bòt	3588 [e] kî	120 [e] hâ-'a-dâm,	1323 [e] bê-nô-wt	853 [e] 'el-	430 [e] hâ-'è-lo-hîm	1121 [e] bê-nê-	7200 [e] way-yir-'û	
הֵנָּה	—	טֹבֹת	כִּי	הָאָדָם	בְּנוֹת	אֵת-	הָאֱלֹהִים	בְּנֵי	וַיִּרְאֶה
they	[were]	beautiful	that	of men	the daughters	-	of God	the sons	that saw
Pro-3fp		Adj-fp	Conj	Art   N-ms	N-fpc	DirObjM	Art   N-mp	N-mpc	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3mp

977 [e] bā-hā-rū.	834 [e] 'ā-šer	3605 [e] mik-kōl	802 [e] nā-šîm,	lā-hem	3947 [e] way-yiq-hû
בְּחָרוּ:	אֲשֶׁר	מִכֹּל	נָשִׁים	לָהֶם	וַיִּקְחוּ
they chose	whomever	of all	wives	for themselves	and they took
V-Qal-Perf-3cp	Pro-r	Prep-m   N-ms	N-fp	Prep   3mp	Conj-w   V-Qal-Conseclmpf-3mp

430 [e] hâ-'è-lo-hîm	1121 [e] bê-nê	935 [e] ya-bò-'û	834 [e] 'ā-šer	3651 [e] kén,	310 [e] 'a-hā-ré-	1571 [e] wə-gam	1992 [e] hā-hém	3117 [e] bay-yā-mîm	776 [e] bā-'a-reš	1961 [e] hā-yû	5303 [e] han-ne-pi-lîm
הָאֱלֹהִים	בְּנֵי	וַבָּאוּ	אֲשֶׁר	כֵּן	אַחֲרָיִךְ	וְגַם	הֵהֱמוּ	בַיָּמִים	בָּאָרֶץ	הָיוּ	הַנְּפִלִים
of God	the sons	came in	when	that	after	and also	those	in days	on the earth	were	The Nephilim
Art   N-mp	N-mpc	V-Qal-Imperf-3mp	Pro-r	Adv	Prep	Conj-w   Conj	Art   Pro-3mp	Prep-b, Art   N-mp	Prep-b, Art   N-fs	V-Qal-Perf-3cp	Art   N-mp

8034 [e] p	376 [e] haš-sēm.	5769 [e] mê-'o-w-lām	834 [e] 'ā-šer	1368 [e] hag-gib-bō-rîm	1992 [e] hēm-māh	lā-hem;	3205 [e] wə-yā-la-du	120 [e] hā-'a-dām,	1323 [e] bê-nô-wt	413 [e] 'el-	
פ	אֲנָשֵׁי הַשָּׁמַיִם:	מֵעוֹלָם	אֲשֶׁר	הַגִּבּוֹרִים	הֵמָּה	לָהֶם	וַיִּלְדּוּ	הָאָדָם	בְּנוֹת	אֵל-	
Punc	of renown	men	of old	who [were]	the mighty men	Those [were]	to them	and they bore [children]	of men	the daughters	to
	Art   N-ms	N-mpc	Prep-m   N-ms	Pro-r	Art   Adj-mp	Pro-3mp	Prep   3mp	Conj-w   V-Qal-ConjPerf-3cp	Art   N-ms	N-fpc	Prep

- i. “Nephilim” – /nef-eel-im/ - from the word “*naphal*” meaning “to fall”, “lie prostrate”
- ii. “mighty men” –
  - 1. “mighty” - /gibbor/ - “strong”, “mighty”
- iii. “men of renown” –
  - 1. “men” – /ish/ - “man”
  - 2. “renown” – /shem/ - “a name”

10. “sons of mighty”

- a. Psalm 89:6-7 – “For who in the skies can be compared to the Lord? Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord, God greatly to be feared in the council of the holy ones, and awesome above all who are around him?”

- i. “heavenly beings” – Hebrew = “the sons of God” or “the sons of might”

410 [e] 'è-lîm	1121 [e] bib-né	3068 [e] Yah-weh	1819 [e] yid-meh	3068 [e] Yah-weh;	6186 [e] ya-'ā-rōk	7834 [e] baš-ša-haq	4310 [e] mî	3588 [e] kî
אֱלֹהִים	בְּבִנְיָ ?	יְהוָה	יִדְמָה ?	לַיהוָה	יִעָרָד	בְּשָׁמַיִם	מִי	כִּי
of the mighty	among the sons	to Yahweh	[Who] can be likened	to Yahweh	can be compared	in the heavens	who	For
N-mp	Prep-b   N-mpc	Prep-l   N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Imperf-3ms	Prep-l   N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Imperf-3ms	Prep-b, Art   N-ms	Interrog	Conj

- ii. “council of the holy ones” –

5439 [e] sə-bî-bāw.	3605 [e] kāl-	5921 [e] 'al-	3372 [e] wə-nō-w-rā,	7227 [e] rab-bāh;	6918 [e] qə-dō-šîm	5475 [e] bē-sō-wd-	6206 [e] na-'ā-rāš	410 [e] 'êl
סְבִיבוֹ:	כָּל-	עַל-	וַיִּבְרָא	רַבָּה	קְדוֹשִׁים	בְּסוּד-	וַיִּצְרַח	אֵל
around Him	all [those]	by	and to be held in reverence	greatly	of the saints	in the assembly	is to be feared	God
Adv   3ms	N-msc	Prep	Conj-w   V-Nifal-Prtcl-mp	Adj-fs	Adj-mp	Prep-b   N-msc	V-Nifal-Prtcl-mp	N-ms

קדוש = kaw-doshe - “*qadosh*” = “holy”, “sacred”

סוד = sode = “sod” = “council”

- b. Psalm 29:1 – “Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.”
  - i. “heavenly beings” – like above in 89:6 - Hebrew = “sons of God”, “sons of might”

#### 11. “mighty ones”

Psalm 103:20-21 – “Bless the Lord, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!

Bless the Lord, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!”

- a. “angels” – *mal·’ā·kāw* – “messenger”
- b. “mighty ones” – “*gib·bō·rē kō·ah*” – “mighty strength”
  - i. Gibbor – “strong”, “mighty”
  - ii. Koah – “strength”
- c. “his hosts” – “*šə·bā·’āw*” from “*tsaba*” meaning “army”, “war”, “warfare”
- d. “his ministers” – “*mə·šā·rə·tāw*” from “*sharath*” meaning “to minister”, “to serve”

#### 12. “gods” (“Elohim”)

Psalm 8:5 – “Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings[b] and crowned him with glory and honor.”

#### 13. “holy ones”

- a. Daniel 8:13 – “Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to the one who spoke, ‘For how long is the vision concerning the regular burnt offering, the transgression that makes desolate, and the giving over of the sanctuary and host to be trampled underfoot?’ ”
- b. Zechariah 14:5 – “You shall flee to the valley of my mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azal. And you shall flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the Lord my God will come, and all the holy ones with him”
- c. Job 15:15-16 – “Behold, God puts no trust in his holy ones, and the heavens are not pure in his sight; how much less one who is abominable and corrupt, a man who drinks injustice like water!”

#### 14. “stars”

- a. Job 38:6-7 – “On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy?”
- b. Revelation 12:3-4 – “And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth.”

#### 15. “hosts of heaven”

- a. Nehemiah 9:6 – ““You are the Lord, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you.”
- b. Luke 2:13 – “suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,  
“Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”

#### 16. “chariots”

- a. Psalm 68:17 – “The chariots of God are twice ten thousand, thousands upon thousands; the Lord is among them; Sinai is now in the sanctuary.

- b. Zechariah 6:1-8 – “Again I lifted my eyes and saw, and behold, four chariots came out from between two mountains. And the mountains were mountains of bronze. The first chariot had red horses, the second black horses, the third white horses, and the fourth chariot dappled horses—all of them strong. Then I answered and said to the **angel** who talked with me, “What are these, my lord?” And the **angel** answered and said to me, “These are going out to the four winds of heaven, after presenting themselves before the Lord of all the earth. The chariot with the black horses goes toward the north country, the white ones go after them, and the dappled ones go toward the south country.” When the strong horses came out, they were impatient to go and patrol the earth. And he said, “Go, patrol the earth.” So they patrolled the earth. Then he cried to me, “Behold, those who go toward the north country have set my Spirit at rest in the north country.”

## POSITION of HIERARCHY

### 1. Cherubim

- a. Genesis 3:24 – “He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.”
- b. Psalm 80:1 – “Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock. You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.”
- c. Psalm 99:1 – “
- d. Ezekiel 9:3 – “
- e. Ezekiel 10:1 – “
- f. Ezekiel 1:28 – “
- g. Hebrews 9:5 – “

### 2. Archangel – Michael means “Who is like God?”

- a. Michael in Daniel 12:1 protects Israel:
- b. Daniel 10:13 – one of the chief princes:
- c. Daniel 10:21 – “
- d. 1 Thessalonians 4:16 – “
- e. Jude 9 an archangel; disputed with Satan – “
- f. Revelation 12:7 – leader of the heavenly army; leads final victory over devil – “

### 3. Chief Princes (under Michael):

- a. Daniel 10:21 –
- b. Daniel 10:13 –

### 4. Living Creatures:

- a. Revelation 4:7-8 –
- b. Revelation 4:14, 19 –

### 5. Seraphim means “Burning Ones”:

- a. Isaiah 6:2-3 –

6. **Angels** mentioned 273 x in Bible:
  - a. Hebrews 1:14 –
7. **Gabriel** means “Devoted to God”
  - a. Luke 1:19, stands in the presence of God – “
  - b. Makes special announcements for God:
    - i. Luke 1:11-13, to Zechariah – “
    - ii. Luke 1:26-33, to Mary – “
  - c. Revealer of God’s Kingdom purpose:
    - i. Daniel 8:16 – “
    - ii. Daniel 9:21-22 – “
8. **Lucifer**
  - a. Isaiah 14:12, “son of the morning” – “
  - b. Revelation 12:9, “Great Dragon,” “Ancient Serpent,” “Devil,” “Satan”
9. **Evil Angels** (Demons?)
  - a. Revelation 12:4, Led by Satan –
  - b. Daniel 10:13, Princes in various countries serving as spiritual powers – “
  - c. Rulers, Powers, Spirits, etc.
    - i. Romans 8:38 – “
    - ii. Ephesians 1:21 – “
    - iii. Ephesians 3:10 – “
    - iv. Ephesians 6:12 – “
    - v. Colossians 1:16 – “
    - vi. 1 Peter 3:22 – “
    - vii. Jude 8-9 – “

### **Daniel 8:13-27 –**

Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to the one who spoke, “For how long is the vision concerning the regular burnt offering, the transgression that makes desolate, and the giving over of the sanctuary and host to be trampled underfoot?” 14 And he said to me, “For 2,300 evenings and mornings. Then the sanctuary shall be restored to its rightful state.”

15 When I, Daniel, had seen the vision, I sought to understand it. And behold, there stood before me one having the appearance of a man. 16 And I heard a man's voice between the banks of the Ulai, and it called, “Gabriel, make this man understand the vision.” 17 So he came near where I stood. And when he came, I was frightened and fell on my face. But he said to me, “Understand, O son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end.”

18 And when he had spoken to me, I fell into a deep sleep with my face to the ground. But he touched me and made me stand up. 19 He said, “Behold, I will make known to you what shall be at the latter end of the indignation, for it refers to the appointed time of the end. 20 As for the ram that you saw

with the two horns, these are the kings of Media and Persia. 21 And the goat is the king of Greece. And the great horn between his eyes is the first king. 22 As for the horn that was broken, in place of which four others arose, four kingdoms shall arise from his[e] nation, but not with his power. 23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors have reached their limit, a king of bold face, one who understands riddles, shall arise. 24 His power shall be great—but not by his own power; and he shall cause fearful destruction and shall succeed in what he does, and destroy mighty men and the people who are the saints. 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand. 26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings that has been told is true, but seal up the vision, for it refers to many days from now.”

27 And I, Daniel, was overcome and lay sick for some days. Then I rose and went about the king's business, but I was appalled by the vision and did not understand it.”

### **Daniel 10:4-21 -**

On the twenty-fourth day of the first month, as I was standing on the bank of the great river (that is, the Tigris) 5 I lifted up my eyes and looked, and behold, a man clothed in linen, with a belt of fine gold from Uphaz around his waist. 6 His body was like beryl, his face like the appearance of lightning, his eyes like flaming torches, his arms and legs like the gleam of burnished bronze, and the sound of his words like the sound of a multitude. 7 And I, Daniel, alone saw the vision, for the men who were with me did not see the vision, but a great trembling fell upon them, and they fled to hide themselves. 8 So I was left alone and saw this great vision, and no strength was left in me. My radiant appearance was fearfully changed,[b] and I retained no strength. 9 Then I heard the sound of his words, and as I heard the sound of his words, I fell on my face in deep sleep with my face to the ground.

10 And behold, a hand touched me and set me trembling on my hands and knees. 11 And he said to me, “O Daniel, man greatly loved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for now I have been sent to you.” And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood up trembling. 12 Then he said to me, “Fear not, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand and humbled yourself before your God, your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. 13 The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there with the kings of Persia, 14 and came to make you understand what is to happen to your people in the latter days. For the vision is for days yet to come.”

15 When he had spoken to me according to these words, I turned my face toward the ground and was mute. 16 And behold, one in the likeness of the children of man touched my lips. Then I opened my mouth and spoke. I said to him who stood before me, “O my lord, by reason of the vision pains have come upon me, and I retain no strength. 17 How can my lord's servant talk with my lord? For now no strength remains in me, and no breath is left in me.”

18 Again one having the appearance of a man touched me and strengthened me. 19 And he said, “O man greatly loved, fear not, peace be with you; be strong and of good courage.” And as he spoke to me, I was strengthened and said, “Let my lord speak, for you have strengthened me.” 20 Then he said, “Do you know why I have come to you? But now I will return to fight against the prince of Persia;

and when I go out, behold, the prince of Greece will come. 21 But I will tell you what is inscribed in the book of truth: there is none who contends by my side against these except Michael, your prince.

### **Revelation 4:6-11 -**

And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: 7 the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight. 8 And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say,

“Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,  
who was and is and is to come!”

9 And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, 10 the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

11 “Worthy are you, our Lord and God,  
to receive glory and honor and power,  
for you created all things,  
and by your will they existed and were created.”