Battle with an Angel

my impressions

Choose from the following phrases those which best describe your impression of each of the statements below.

A. Interesting **B.** Impressive **C.** Reassuring
D. Inspiring **E.** Eye opening
F. Exciting **G.** Sobering **H.** Comforting
I. Hard to grasp **J.** Shocking **K.** Other _____

1. The 4 gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, tell of many, many appearances by intelligent beings from beyond our earth. Beings that care deeply and have influenced what has happened here! (See Angels in Summary p. 3)

2. By faith Abraham prophesied that God would provide Himself a lamb. Then God sent an angel to point it out to Abraham. At His birth, 1,800 years later, God sent angels to point to Jesus as the Lamb which He had provided to be our Savior. (Genesis 22:8[1], 11-14; Matthew 1:20, 21[8, 9]; Luke 2:10-12[12-14]; John 1:29-34)

3. There are alien beings here on earth that are not friendly to us. The Bible tells us there was war in heaven. Satan and his army were once angelic beings who rebelled and were cast out of heaven! (Revelation 12:7-9; Isaiah 14:12-15; Luke 10:18[17]; Luke 4:33-35[19, 20]; Ephesians 6:11, 12; Ezekiel 28:12-19)

4. The story of Jesus' life "squares up" with many witnesses who did not have a vested interest in the story. And also with many more witnesses who were willing to give up their lives rather than deny what they had seen, heard, and experienced! (Luke 2:8-17[12, 13]; 1 Corinthians 15:4-8; 1 John 1:1-4; 2 Peter 1:16-18)

5. Just as in Jesus' time, Satan and his angels still try to disguise themselves as ministers of truth to deceive as many as they can. (2 Corinthians 11:14, 15[21, 22]; 1 Peter 5:8, 9)

6. Jesus' victory spelled Satan's defeat. Satan knows that he has but a short time. When Jesus returns the sky will be filled with God's angelic armies, come to take home His redeemed! (Revelation 12:10-12; Matthew 28:18; 24:30, 31; 1 Corinthians 15:57)

7. We are not alone in this universe. Like Jesus, we too can enter into partnership with heavenly beings. God, His Son, the Holy Spirit, and the angels are working to restore us to God's "family in heaven and earth." (Hebrews 1:14; Romans 8:31; 1 Corinthians 15:57; Ephesians 4:15)

Choices: John 1:12 NKJ tells us, "But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right (and power KJV) to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:" Are you willing to let Him restore you to God's family in heaven and earth? _____ (Matthew 6:9, 10) Will you be joining us at our next study?

Thunder IN THE HOLY LAND

LESSON 2

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1. **Genesis 22:8** My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering.

2. **Luke 1:13** [And] the _____ said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.

3. **Luke 1:14** And thou shalt have joy and gladness; and many shall rejoice at his birth.

4. **Luke 1:15** For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb.

5. **Luke 1:16** And many of the children of Israel shall he turn to the Lord their God.

6. **Luke 1:17** And **he** [John] shall go before **him** [the Messiah] in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.

7. **Luke 1:31** And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

8. **Matthew 1:20** . . . Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.

9. **Matthew 1:21** . . . thou shalt call his name _____: for he shall save his people from their sins.

10. **Matthew 2:13** . . . take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him.

11. **Matthew 2:20** . . . Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

12. **Luke 2:10** . . . Fear not: for, behold, _____ bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people.

13. **Luke 2:11** For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord.

14. **Luke 2:12** And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.

15. **Mark 6:7** . . . [Jesus] began to send them forth by two and two; and [He] gave them power over unclean _____.

16. **Luke 10:17** And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the _____ are subject unto us through thy name.

17. **Luke 10:18** . . . I beheld _____ as lightning fall from heaven."

18. **Matthew 8:29** What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment _____ before the time?

19. **Luke 4:33, 34** . . . [The man] cried out with a loud voice, saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth. Art thou come to destroy _____? I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God.

20. **Luke 4:35** And Jesus rebuked him, saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the _____ had thrown him in the midst, he came out . . .

21. **2 Corinthians 11:14** And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an _____ of light.

22. **2 Corinthians 11:15 NIV** It is not surprising, then, if his servants masquerade as servants (or ministers) of righteousness.

23. **Luke 22:42** Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done.

24. **Hebrews 1:14** Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

Angels in Summary:

Angels are real beings who have constant contact with God.
John 1:51; Revelation 3:5

Angels care about us, especially, the children.
Mark 1:13; Matthew 26:53; 18:10

Angels rejoice in our victories.
Luke 15:10

Angels will come with Jesus when He returns to get us.
Matthew 16:27; 24:31; 25:31; 13:39, 41, 49

Some angels who used to be in heaven have fallen.
Revelation 12:7-9

The Devil and all his minions will ultimately be destroyed.
Matthew 25:41

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