



O come, all ye faithful,  
joyful and triumphant!

O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;  
Come and behold him

**Born the King of Angels:**

O come, let us adore Him, Christ the  
Lord.

## Hebrews 1:1-14

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. For to which of the angels did God ever say, “You are my Son, today I have begotten you”? Or again, “I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son”? And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, “Let all God's angels worship him.”

Of the angels he says, “He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire.” But of the Son he says, “Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the scepter of uprightness is the scepter of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions.”

they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end.” And to which of the angels has he ever said, “Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet”? Are they not all ministering spirits sent out to serve for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?

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Just think of it. This great world of ours is upheld by Christ's word. If He did not speak it into continued existence, it would go back into the nothingness from which it sprung. There exists not a being who is independent of the Mediator, save only the ever-blessed Father and the Spirit.

– Charles Spurgeon



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## Philippians 2:8-11

And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and **bestowed on him the name that is above every name**, so that **at the name** of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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## **Angels Appear To...**

**Zechariah** as he is serving in the temple (Luke 1:12-14)

Message= Elizabeth, though old and barren, will have a son

**Mary** (betrothed to Joseph) as she is in Nazareth.(1:26-38)

Message= Mary will conceive a son without the aid of a man- he will be named Jesus.

Joseph In Nazareth. (Matthew 1:19-25)

Message= Do not end your engagement to Mary She bears the Son of God in her womb.

Shepherds in hillside near Bethlehem (Luke 2:8-15)

Message= Good news, great joy, for all people- GO SEE THE BABY

## **Angels Appear To...**

Joseph- after Jesus is born. (Matthew 2:13-15)

Message= Flee Herod's wrath and go to Egypt

Joseph- Approx 3 years later in Egypt. (Matthew 2:19-20)

Message= Herod is dead. Go back to Nazareth

Very well, then it was a company of Oriental metaphors that sang at the birth of Christ; and it was an Oriental metaphor that slew 185,000 of Sennacherib's army in a single night; and it was an Oriental metaphor that appeared to Peter in prison and knocked the chains off his hand, and led him through the streets. Truly these Oriental metaphors are wonderful things.

– Rowland Hill



In Scripture the visitation of an angel is always alarming; it has to begin by saying 'Fear not.' The Victorian angel looks as if it were going to say, 'There, there.'

- C.S. Lewis



Colossians 2:18

Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and **worship of angels**, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind

Colossians 2:8-9

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to **Christ**. For **in him the whole fullness of deity dwells** bodily,

As the world is strangely inclined to superstition, men have obscured the glory of God by extolling angels too much. It was therefore necessary to reduce them to their own rank, that they might not overshadow the brightness of Christ.

– John Calvin



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The seven quotations from the Old Testament are presented as a succession of words spoken by God to the Son, amid the company of angels in heaven, and now the listeners on earth are permitted to overhear what was said.

- Peter T. O'Brien



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Psalm 97:6-7

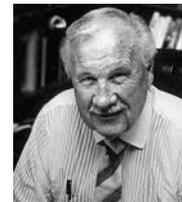
The heavens proclaim his righteousness,  
and all the peoples see his glory.

All worshipers of images are put to shame,  
who make their boast in worthless idols;  
worship him, all you, his angels

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This king is addressed twice as God ("**O God**" in this verse and "**God, Your God**" in the next); possesses a throne, a scepter and a kingdom; loves righteousness and hates wickedness; has a special anointing of joy; and continues as king forever and ever. No angel could claim these attributes.

– **Ray Stedman**



And, “You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; **they will perish**, but you remain; they will **all wear out** like a garment, like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. **But you are the same**, and your years will have **no end.**”

Isaiah 9:6-7

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given;  
and the government shall be upon his shoulder,  
and his name shall be called Wonderful  
Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father,  
Prince of Peace. **Of the increase of his  
government and of peace there will be no end,**  
on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to  
establish it and to uphold it with justice and with  
righteousness from this time forth and  
forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will  
do this.

What a mercy for us that our Saviour is God, for who but a God could execute the work of salvation? What a glad thing it is that He reigns on a throne which will never pass away, for we need both sovereign grace and eternal love to secure our happiness. Could Jesus cease to reign we should cease to be blessed, and were He not God, and therefore eternal, this must be the case. No throne can endure for ever, but that on which God Himself sitteth.

– Charles Spurgeon

