

## EPISODE 4

### THE BATTLE FOR SUPREMACY

There was much before the beginning. (**Gen. 1:1, Ps 93:2**) In the beginning, God himself was before the beginning. Your throne is established from old; You are from everlasting. God is the uncreated being, eternal without beginning or end (**Ps 90:1,2**). Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations before the mountains were brought forth, or even before You had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, you are God.

(**John 17:5, 24**) God was in 3 persons before the beginning. The persons shared a relationship of love and fellowship. Jesus prayed; "Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the Glory which I had with You before the world was --- for You loved Me before the foundations of the world.

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### GOD HAD A PURPOSE AND GOD HAD A PLAN FOR CREATION

#### 1.The Purpose of God

#### 2.The Plan of God

1. (**Eph. 3:11**) Before the beginning, God had an eternal purpose in His heart.

2. (**Eph.1:10**) To gather together in one all things in Jesus Christ.

3. (**Eph. 1:4**) Believers in Jesus Christ were chosen in Him before the foundation of the world, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love.

At some point before **Genesis 1:1**, God created the angels because they witnessed the creation of GOD'S heavens and the earth. (**Job 38:7**)

In His book (of instructions) the holy bible tells how there had been a battle between an arc angel and God his creator for supremacy.

In the book of **Isaiah chapter 14**, it talks about an angel called lucifer, and his fall from heaven. Let us look at Isaiah and find out who this angel was.

**Isaiah 14:12-18** "How you are fallen from heaven, o lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the most-high. And God said, "you were the seal of perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty.

The book of **Ezekiel** continues with the description of who lucifer, an angel created by God, was. (**Ezekiel 28:2-19**) you were in Eden, the garden of God;

every precious stone was your covering: the **sardius**. (ruby) **topaz**, (amber/golden), and **diamond**, **beryl**, (greenish turquoise) **onyx**, (dark color, black) and **jasper**, (grass) **sapphire**, (blue), **turquoise**, (bluish, light green), and **emerald** with gold.) (Green with gold flecks). The workmanship of your timbrels and pipes was prepared for you on the day you were created. Beautiful music emanated from him. "You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; you were on the holy mountain of God; (led in music) and given great freedom. Led worship. You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones, you were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, till iniquity was found in you.

Lucifer found out about God's plan, to create a family in His own image. This caused envy, jealousy, and anger to rise within him. He mused, that this created being, created in the image of God Himself, would be more beautiful and closer to God than he.

He had become proud of his beauty and position before God. His pride, anger, and jealousy gave way to violence within, which caused him to sin; therefore, God took action, "I cast you as a profane thing out of the mountain of God; and I destroyed you, o covering cherub, from the midst of the fiery stones. "Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor; I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, that they might gaze at you. "You defiled your sanctuaries by the multitude of your iniquities. Therefore, I brought fire from your midst; it devoured you, and I turned you to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all who saw you. Satan (Lucifer) had been created in perfection in power and greatness, full of wisdom and beauty. He was covered in precious stones with timbrels and pipes to create beautiful music of worship and praise to his God and creator.

He held a significant role in the music of heaven, surrounding God's throne. He held a high status before the fall. Lucifer was adorned with great glory and splendor. He was one of the coverings cherubins of God's throne. (Fallen from heaven is a figure of speech meaning, cast down from an exalted political position.) I beheld Satan fall like lightning from heaven. The name for lucifer in Hebrew literally means "day star," or the planet Venus. The angels do many things. All that angels do is in reference to God and according to His will. The good angels (elect angels) worship and serve God, while also having a role in the world that the Lord created. There are different types of angels with unique roles: archangels, cherubim, and seraphim. For example, In the bible, Michael the archangel is listed as being the chief of angels and seems to have a special role regarding Israel ([Daniel 10:13](#); [12:1](#)).

In addition, the other named angel in scripture, Gabriel, was tasked with delivering important messages to Daniel, Zechariah, and Mary ([Daniel 8:15–26](#); [Luke 1:11–17, 19; 2:26–37](#)).

Some angels will have specific tasks in the future, such as the seven angels in charge of sounding the seven trumpets during the tribulation ([Revelation 8:6–9:19](#)).

Satan took one-third of the angels with him in rebellion in [Revelation 12:3–4](#). John sees a sign in heaven: “an enormous red dragon with seven heads and ten horns and seven crowns on its heads. Its tail swept a third of the stars out of the sky and flung them to the earth.” John then relates that the dragon was hurled down to the earth and positively identifies it as “that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray” ([Revelation 12:9](#)).

The dragon is not thrown to earth alone, however: “his angels were cast out with him” ([verse 9](#)). The angels that are ejected from heaven with Satan we associate with the “third of the stars” that the dragon’s tail swept from heaven to earth in [verse 4](#).

If the “stars” of [Revelation 12:4](#) are indeed a symbolic reference to Satan’s “angels” in [verse 9](#), then what we have is a reference to the fall of a portion of the angels (the heavenly hosts) who followed Satan in his rebellion. Two-thirds of the angels remained loyal to God and are called the “[holy angels](#)” in scripture (e.g., [Mark 8:38](#)); one-third of the original angels joined Satan and are called “[unclean spirits](#)” or “[demons](#)” today (e.g., [Mark 9:25](#)). Demonic spirits are spirit beings. An immaterial spirit is invisible. They have the ability to indwell human or animal bodies. They must embody, in some way, before they can be seen.

**In Luke 8:33** Jesus cast demons out of a human body and they entered swine, causing them to run into a body of water and drown. We as born-again believers, living for Jesus, are under His protection, as we continue to live for God and walk according to His precepts.

The bible describes different classifications of angels. Some angels—the [Cherubim](#) and [Seraphim](#)—are described as winged creatures. Cherubim primarily attend the throne of God as guards, while it seems the Seraphim attends His throne by offering worship and praise. ([Ezekiel; 10:1–22](#); [Isaiah](#)). The bible speaks of angels of light ([2 Corinthians 11:14](#)) and fallen angels ([2 Peter 2:4](#); [Jude](#)). The noun [Seraphim](#) probably relate to the verb seraph, which means “to burn with fire.” These angelic creatures belong to the [heavenly host](#) and are only mentioned twice in the scriptures.

Apparently, these creatures conduct the worship of God in heaven. They are different from the Cherubim, who are described in [Rev. 4:6-8](#), as surrounding God's throne instead of standing over it. [Isa. 6:2](#). The Seraphim has six wings and is described in [Isaiah](#). The 6<sup>th</sup> chapter it tells us that with 2 wings he covered his face, (shielding them from becoming overwhelmed by looking directly at God's glory), and with 2 wings he covered his feet, (symbolizing their humble respect for and submission to God), and with 2 wings he flew, and one cried to the other holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory. Seraphim angels are glorious, exotic creatures. Religious texts describe them as radiating brilliant light like flames of fire. Cherubims constantly worship God in heaven, praising the creator for His great love and power. They focus on making sure that God receives the honor that He deserves, and act as security guards to help

prevent anything unholy from entering the presence of a perfectly holy God. The biblical prophet [Ezekiel in chapter 1](#) describes angels who showed up with memorable, exotic appearances--as "four living creatures" of brilliant light and great speed, each with the face of a different type of creature (a man, lion, ox, and eagle). The cherubim are celestial beings associated with God's Glory and Holiness. They have four wings and travel on the storm winds upon which God travels. [Ezek. 1vs5,6](#).

In Judaism, the cherubim angels are known for their work helping people deal with sin that separates them from God so they can draw closer to God. They urge people to confess what they've done wrong, accept God's forgiveness, learn spiritual lessons from their mistakes, and change their choices so their lives can move forward in a healthier direction.

In Christianity, the Cherubim are known for their wisdom, and zeal to give glory to God, and their work helping to record what happens in the universe. Angels perform different tasks in the bible. Some angels are God's messengers ([Daniel 4:13](#)). Other angels are servants of God ([Psalm 103:20](#); [Hebrews](#); [Psalm 104:4](#)). "watcher angels" are mentioned in the book of Daniel ([Daniel 4:13, 17, 23](#)). Angels are often described as military "hosts" of the celestial armies. ([Jeremiah 5:14](#); [38:17](#); [44:7](#); [Hosea](#)). Other times angels are called "sons of the mighty" ([psalm 89:6](#)) or "sons of God" ([Job 2:1](#)). Only three angels are identified by name in the bible: Gabriel ([Daniel 8:16](#)), Michael the archangel ([Daniel 10:13](#)), and Lucifer the fallen angel ([Isaiah 14:12](#)). Yet angelic beings are mentioned at least 273 times in 34 books of the bible. While we don't know exactly how many angels there are, we do know from scripture that an exceedingly large number of angels exist. Angels do many things. All that angels do is in reference to God and according to His will. The good angels (elect angels) worship and serve God, while also having a role in the world that the Lord created. There are different types of angels with unique roles: archangels, cherubim, and seraphim, for example. In the bible, Michael the archangel is listed as being the chief of angels

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In the lesson we discussed the fall of Lucifer, during his defeat and fall from heaven as the anointed cherub, and now is known as Satan. Satan's characteristics became that of political leaders who took their positions against the God of creation. In the book of Isaiah, it speaks of the prince of Tyre, in [Ez.](#) he was referred to as the prince of Babablyn, in [Daniel 10](#) it was the prince of Grecia, and in [Daniel chapter 11](#) it was the prince of Persia.

These men were all full of pride and lifted themselves up in arrogant power as did Lucifer in heaven before his fall.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. [John 10:10](#)

In [Revelation 12:9](#) The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Yes, there is still a battle going on today and will continue until the [prince of peace](#) returns to set up His kingdom and settles His account, that the setting up of God's kingdom on earth as it is in heaven, we must keep our eyes on the prize of our high calling in Jesus the Christ and be about our Father's business here on earth. May He truly bless you and keep you in the hollow of his hand. [John 10:10](#)

Thus far in previous lessons we have discussed the plan of God in four parts.

1. The Sovereignty of God
2. The angelic kingdom
3. The establishment of the plant kingdom
4. The creation of the animal kingdom

Next episode we will continue with the creation of man, the fall of man, and the necessity for a plan of redemption.