

Angels – Heavenly Messengers

The connection between the biblical concept of angels (messengers) with those who proclaim God's Word.

Haggai and John the Baptist were both called messengers, emphasizing their divine assignment to speak God's truth.

Luke 7:24–27 *“When the messengers of John had departed, He began to speak to the multitudes concerning John: ‘What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? But what did you go out to see? A man clothed in soft garments? Indeed those who are gorgeously appareled and live in luxury are in kings’ courts. But what did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I say to you, and more than a prophet. This is he of whom it is written: ‘Behold, I send My messenger before Your face, who will prepare Your way before You.’”*

An angel is God's messenger, an emissary on a divine assignment, bringing God's message to those who have ears to hear on earth.

The connection between *angelos* (angel) and *euangelion* (gospel) highlights that those who preach the gospel are, in a sense, God's messengers on earth.

The gospel in the Greek is called euangel, where we get the English word evangelist.

Believers, as bearers of the gospel, function as “earthly angels” in the sense that they are entrusted with delivering God's message of salvation. Mark 16:15 directly commands us to take this message to the world, reinforcing our role as messengers of the kingdom.

Mark 16:15 *“And He said to them, ‘Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature.’”*

Malachi 3:1 is especially powerful because it refers to both John the Baptist as the forerunner and Jesus as the *Messenger of the covenant*, and showing that Christ is The Divine Messenger.

Malachi 3:1 *“Behold, I send My messenger, And he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple, even the Messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight. Behold, He is coming, says the Lord of hosts.”*

This all points to a deeper truth - being born again in Christ is not just about personal salvation but also about stepping into the role of a messenger, carrying His Word to those with ears to hear.

Haggai 1:13 *"Then Haggai, the Lord's messenger, spoke the Lord's message to the people, saying, 'I am with you, says the Lord.'"*