

# The Angels

## "Advent - Monologues"



*"And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were*

*sore afraid. And the angel said unto them, 'Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger.'"*

*Luke 2:9-13 KJV*

"Angels are a very real part of the Christmas story. Why, sometimes, when we were so much involved, we almost thought we were in charge on that beautiful night so long ago. Some of us wondered why we were telling this great news to a bunch of lowly shepherds.

"The months preceding the birth of our Savior included much work for the angels. We were organized, and at the same time frantic. It was the busiest time the heavenly hosts had ever been through. There were angels everywhere and all of us were so eager to have been given this great story to tell.

We knew that an angel had been sent to give the "Good News" to Mary and Joseph. We were all so glad, and yet there was a lot to think about.

"We accepted that God had given us this honor, but we wondered why He was going to send His only Son down to earth to save people who didn't seem to care. We knew that He loved them, but then some of us wondered why He would be willing to make such a big sacrifice.

"We were simply messengers, bearers of the Word of God, but none as spectacular as this one. Our songs are constantly being sung, if you only listen. We had made many visits to earth in the past.

"Jacob had a dream and saw angels ascending and descending a ladder to Heaven. God was there and making His presence known to Jacob who would go on to help spread God's Word. Jacob was not perfect by any stretch of the imagination but he made a promise to God that night and God blessed him.

"David spoke of us many times in the Psalms. Some of us had spoken to Moses, and appeared as flame in a burning bush.

"Some of us were with God when he spoke to Sarah and told her that her seed would multiply exceedingly, and that she would bear Isaac. And as time went on after that eventful night so many years ago, we would again get to spread the good tidings, even to this very night.

*"And 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, good will toward men.'"*

*Luke 2:14*



"After John had baptized our Lord, he was tempted by Satan and some of the angels were allowed to minister unto him.

"And when the servant of the high priest struck a man and smote off his ear, our Lord told him that He would be given more than twelve legions of angels to help Him.

"The best was the singing on that wonderful night when we all got to tell the humble shepherds about the birth of their personal Savior. Many songs have been written about us on that night. What a joyful time. In a few moments, we had delivered the greatest message ever to the people on earth.

"The shepherds listened to us, and they knew that Christ the Lord would indeed

*No, I never saw an angel, but it is irrelevant whether I saw one or not. I feel their presence around me.*

*Paulo Coelho*

be born, just as we had said. We have had so many privileges and opportunities to tell the wonderful work of our God. When our Lord was crucified and buried, and then arose; we were there.

“We were privileged to give the good news to the women that came to the empty sepulcher.

“Today, we still sing that message, just as you can. We have not lost any of the joy, the enthusiasm, or the excitement of that wonderful night so many years ago outside the little town of Bethlehem. Will you sing with us?”

So many theories are available concerning angels. This is just one person's ideas. These were written as monologues for several angels to be used in an Advent service or just a small gathering to discuss the Christmas story and the part the angels had in it. Some angels have names but there are many places where they do not, but they are just as important.



## *ANGELS We Have Heard ON HIGH*

(Anonymous)

*Angels we have heard on high  
Sweetly singing o'er the plains  
And the mountains in reply  
Echoing their joyous strains.*

*Shepherds why this jubilee  
Why your joyous strains prolong  
Say what may the tidings be  
Which inspire your heavenly song?*

*Come to Bethlehem and see  
Him whose birth the angels sing;  
Come, adore on bended knee,  
Christ the Lord, the newborn King.*

*Gloria In Excelsis Deo  
Gloria In Excelsis Deo*



*“For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent.”*

Psalm 91:11-13

Prayer: Our Heavenly Father, as we approach this wonderful season, help us to have the same joyful feeling to tell the good news as the angels had. We know that God gave His only son, and that through this wonderful gift we have eternal life. Help us to want to spread that news to all people so that all may accept Christ as a personal Savior. Amen

1. How would you react if a group of angels appeared to you when you were outside in the dark of the night?
2. How would it be reported in the newspapers, or would you be afraid to tell anyone?
3. Are we given the job of angels here on earth today? What is the purpose of angels today?
4. Do you really believe in angels? Do you think they are still appearing to people?
5. Imagine being one of the angels chosen to come to earth and tell of the birth of Christ.
6. Did it take something special? Will we be angels someday?
7. When were angels created?

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