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JUDGMENT ALWAYS BEGINS WITH GOD'S PEOPLE

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PART 3: GOD'S ANGELS

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	God has from the very beginning of the creation used angels to carry out His commands. These holy angels are sinless, powerful, and perfect in carrying out the Lord's commands. Furthermore, they are not sentimental and will without question do whatsoever Lord commands. God uses them to discipline His people, execute sinners when their cups of sin are full, and even control the Devil and his fellow fallen angels.
	Angels come in different ranks and powers. This is pointed out in the book of Daniel, when the angel told Daniel that he had been hindered for 21 days by the demon ruler of Persia, and was not able to break through the defenses of the Devil until Michael, a chief prince in the angelic world came to his rescue and destroyed the satanic resistance. Daniel 10:4-14
	The angel Michael is mentioned in Daniel as the protector of the seed of Abraham, which now is the Body of Christ, which consists of all saved people living on the earth. This includes Jews, Greeks, gentiles, both men and women. Galatians 3:26-29; Daniel 12:1
	Michael is also known as the commander in chief of the heavenly armed forces, which were sent out by God to combat the Devil and his fallen angels when they tried to unseat God and started a war in the heavens. Revelation 12:7-10
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	This reference to an angel who is more like a personal servant is found in Exodus 23:20-22 .
	This is a different angel which we know very little about. It is possible that this angel is Michael, who is an archangel, whom we have already looked upon as the Defender of God's people (Daniel 12:1) Regardless, God warned Moses and the children of Israel that this angel would not display any mercy if he is provoked, there would only be swift judgment.
	(Note now that when the Bible speaks about the angel of God (Exodus 14:19), it is referring to Jesus. Jesus is referred to as the angel of the Lord, but in order to fully know if the text is referring to Jesus or a holy angel, we must read the text in its fullness.
	Moses understood that angels do not have the gift of mercy, and if they are provoked, they will swiftly meet out judgment. Therefore Moses told God, that unless God himself would go with them to the Promised Land, Moses did not want to go. Exodus 33:11-17
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ANGELS AS EXECUTIONERS

This is a subject that is uncomfortable to most Christians and most preachers avoid teaching on this subject; but that does not mean that the subject will go away, God's holy angels are here to stay and they will do their work, regardless if people know about it or not. Here are some examples:

- 1. When God was judging the people of Israel, the angel slew 70,000 Israeli men, and he did not stop until God restrained him. **2 Samuel 24:17**
- 2. 185,000 Assyrian soldiers were slain in one night; no mercy was shown to them. **2 Kings 19:35**
- 3. A powerful warning is given to God's people in Ezekiel chapter nine, when God tells a squad of angels to move into Jerusalem and show no mercy but start executing all backslidden Jews who had been marked. **Ezekiel 9:1-11**

The Book of Revelation is full of the God's judgments upon mankind, and therefore, we should not take anything lightly and think nothing of it. We are moving into a time when judgments of God are going to be manifested on the earth. We have already seen tremendous destruction on the earth with huge losses of human life.

- The communists in the Soviet Union murdered millions of people they felt opposed their regime.
- Including civilians, the total death toll in World War II was more than 80 million people.
- The Chinese communists murdered more than 80 million people in China.
- There was the horrible mass murder in Cambodia in 1975, when half the population was put to death by the communists.
- There have been mass killings in Africa, Vietnam, and Indonesia; and even continues to this day.

We would do well to heed what Jesus said about the end times.

Matthew 24:4-12

GOD IS CONTROLLING THE WEATHER BY HIS ANGELS

Most people think that the weather on the earth is run on some kind of automatic program and do not give it much thought, however, this is not what the Bible teaches. Not only do God's angels control of the weather, but they are also in charge of vegetation and the animal kingdom. Angels control the number of birds, fishes, insects, etc. They have to offset the damage man is doing to the environment. When men become careless and poisons the water and the earth, the angels allow plants and animals to die and in some instances to become extinct. Look at the words of Jesus as found in **Matthew 10:28-31**.

Have you ever wondered: "Who is controlling the gender ratio in the animal kingdom?" Once man began to study biology, we found out that the ratio varies very little. Do the animals know how many males or females are going to be born? No. Until lately, man did not know how to control the ratio between boys and girls when medical doctors were able through gene splicing to determine the gender.
Most "educated" pastors over the years have dismissed the following verses as some kind of an allegory and not true facts, but here is what the Bible says, regardless what the liberal clergy might think. Revelation 7:1-3
During the tribulation period, God's angels are going to inflict devastation on the ecological system of the earth. For starters, 33% of all trees will be destroyed along with 100% of the green grass (Revelation 8:7); then 33% of the oceans will turn into blood (verse 8), along with 33% of marine life and ocean going vessels (verse 9). Then 33% of the earth's fresh water will be made bitter and poisonous. verses 10-11
This will be followed by a supernatural event that most Christians have not given much thought. I personally believe that the 24 hour rotation cycle of the earth will be changed, so that instead of the earth taking 24 hours to rotate, the speed will be increased so that the rotation will happen in 16 hours. As a result, there will only be daylight for 8 hours, followed by 8 hours of darkness. Regardless how God's angels will do it, a day and a night on earth will shrink to 16 hours. Revelation 8:12-13
This event alone will create total havoc on the ecological system of the earth, since air and water temperature will be changed drastically. It will also upset the biological clock of man and all living beings.
As God's judgments increase during the tribulation time, His angels are going to afflict all people who have taken the mark of the Beast with terrible sores which cannot be healed (Revelation 16:1-2). A second angel will cause the remainder of the oceans to turn into blood and all marine life will die at this time (Revelation 16:3). A third angel will destroy all the remaining fresh water on the earth (verse 4). Then a fourth angel will cause the sun's temperature to rise so that the earth will be scorched (verses 8-9). Other angels will pour out their vials and cause much suffering for the people living on the earth with darkness pain earthquakes and bail Revelation 16:10-21

Do you have an ear to hear with?