

## A SERIES OF DEVOTIONS BASED ON THE BOOK OF HEBREWS

### GOD'S ANGELS SERVE YOU

Hebrews 1:14 "Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?"

Daniel chapter six gives the account of Daniel in the Lion's den. Enemies of Daniel deviously advised King Darius to issue a decree that all of his subjects were to bow down and worship him. Daniel, a true believer in Yahweh, refused. The decree required that anyone refusing to worship King Darius would be thrown into a den of hungry lions. Daniel's enemies reported to King Darius his refusal to bow down to him. Darius had no option but to order Daniel to be thrown into the lion's den.

After Daniel was thrown into the den of lions, "the king returned to his palace and spent the night without eating and without any entertainment being brought to him. And he could not sleep. At the first light of dawn, the king got up and hurried to the lions' den. When he came near the den, he called to Daniel in an anguished voice, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you serve continually, been able to rescue you from the lions?" Daniel answered, "May the king live forever! My God sent His angel, and He shut the mouths of the lions. They have not hurt me, because I was found innocent in His sight." (Daniel 6:18-22)

The Psalmist in Psalm 91:11 writes, "If you say, 'The LORD is my refuge,' and you make the Most High your dwelling, no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent. 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." Psalm 34:7-8 promises, "The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear Him, and He delivers them. Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in Him."

As the angel protected Daniel in the lion's den, Jacob as he fled his brother Esau, as one angel destroyed the Assyrian army in one night, so Yahweh commands His angels to guard you in all your ways.

Prayer: Thanks, and praise to you mighty and merciful God for Your gift to me of guardian angels to protect me in all my ways. In Jesus' name. Amen.

In time of temptation, I hear a sweet voice,  
So tenderly whisper to me,  
Be strong in the Lord, sweetly rest on His Word,  
The angels have charge over thee.

Refrain:

The angels have charge over thee,  
To keep Thee in all thy ways;  
This blessed assurance brings peace to my soul,  
My heart is o'erflowing with praise.

When trials arise, and when danger is near,  
A light in the darkness I see;  
This promise so blest bringeth comfort and rest,  
The angels have charge over thee. Refrain:

Then rest, sweetly rest, on the promise of God,  
From sin and its power be free;  
O be of good cheer, there is nothing to fear,  
The angels have charge over thee. Refrain:  
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