THE ROLE OF ANGEL MICHAEL FOR GOD’S PEOPLE.

Blessed be the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome as we deepen our understanding of the Word of God.

Today, we will study the Archangel Michael.

Types of Angels in Heaven

The Bible outlines three primary categories of angels, each with distinct roles:

Angels of Worship – These include the Seraphim and Cherubim, seen in passages such as:

> Isaiah 6:2-3 *(Seraphim):*
> “Above it stood seraphim; each one had six wings... And one cried to another and said: ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; The whole earth is full of His glory!’”

> Ezekiel 10:1-2 *(Cherubim):*
> “And He spoke to the man clothed with linen, and said, ‘Go in among the wheels, under the cherub, fill your hands with coals of fire…’”

Messengers – Angels like Gabriel, who deliver divine messages.

> Luke 1:26-28*:*
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> Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth…”Daniel 8:16 & 9:21*:*
> *Gabriel interprets visions and delivers messages.*

Warrior Angels – These include Michael, whose role is to wage spiritual warfare on behalf of God’s people.

Is Michael the Same as Jesus?

Some traditions suggest that Michael is another name for Jesus Christ. However, scripture distinguishes between the two:

Jesus is the Son of God, part of the Trinity, worshiped by angels:

> Hebrews 1:5-6*:*
> “For to which of the angels did He ever say: ‘You are My Son, Today I have begotten You’? … Let all the angels of God worship Him.”

Michael is called the archangel (chief angel), a created being:

> Jude 1:9*:*

> "Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses..."

Therefore, Michael is not Jesus, but a powerful angel appointed by God.

TWO MAIN QUESTIONS ABOUT MICHAEL:

1. Whom Does Michael Fight For?

Michael fights for the nation of Israel and the Church (spiritual Israel).

> Daniel 10:21 *(NKJV):*
> "...But I will tell you what is noted in the Scripture of Truth. (No one upholds me against these, except Michael your prince.)"

> Daniel 12:1*:*
> “At that time Michael shall stand up, the great prince who stands watch over the sons of your people…”

Michael is described as the protector of Israel, but his role also extends to the spiritual body of Christ—the Church (Galatians 6:16 refers to the Church as the “Israel of God”).

2. How Does Michael Fight?

Michael does not engage in physical warfare but fights through legal, spiritual arguments in the heavenly court.

> Revelation 12:10*:*
> “Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, ‘Now salvation, and strength… have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.’”

The Greek word for “devil” is *diabolos*, meaning “accuser” or “slanderer.” Satan continuously brings charges against the saints

before God, just as he did with Job:

> Job 1:9-11*:*
> "So Satan answered the Lord and said, 'Does Job fear God for nothing? ... But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!'"

In contrast, Michael and other holy angels bring forth righteous testimonies on behalf of the saints. They advocate for us in spiritual proceedings before the throne of God.

> Jude 1:9*:*
> "Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses... said, 'The Lord rebuke you!'"

After Moses died, Satan tried to claim his body—possibly arguing

that Moses’ sin (Numbers 20:12) disqualified him. But Michael opposed him, likely with righteous testimony of Moses’ faith and service, and God Himself buried Moses in secret (Deuteronomy 34:5-6), to prevent idolatry.

This incident shows us that spiritual warfare involves legal battles in the heavenly realm, not just human effort.If you say you have accepted Christ, but continue in sin (e.g., fornication, gossip, drunkenness, theft, or violence), know that Satan uses those very acts to accuse you before God.

But when you live in obedience, Satan has no grounds for accusation. Instead, Michael and his hosts present your good works before God.

> Matthew 18:10*:*
> “Take heed that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that in heaven their angels always see the face of My Father who is in heaven.”

> 2 Peter 2:11*:*
> "...whereas angels, who are greater in power and might, do not bring a reviling accusation against them before the Lord."

Angels never accuse the saints—they intercede and protect us in spiritual matters.Have you truly repented and forsaken sin?Have you left behind immorality, theft, slander, drunkenness, and hatred?

If not, these are the very things that accuse you before God.

God is calling you to sincere repentance. The grace of Jesus Christ is available, but He demands a changed life.

> Romans 6:1-2*:*
> "Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?"

Maranatha! (Come, Lord Jesus!)

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