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News of the Week:

- a. Class notes posted to www.SJCalvaryBerean.com or scan the QR code to the right
- b. What is Calvary Chapel's position on the Rapture?
 - i. <https://calvarycca.org/statement-of-faith/>
 - ii. <https://bit.ly/3q8ymXE>
- c. 'Jesus People' Wednesday, July 5 at 7:00 PM in the main Sanctuary
 - i. Dinner @ 5:00 (\$5) and speakers at 7:00. This week Raul Reese
- d. The Hiding Place: <https://thehidingplacefilm.com>
 - i. Thursday Aug 3 at 7:00PM or Saturday Aug 5 at 2:00PM
- e. Food Distribution Proj ("Project M25:40")
 - i. Interested? **Call Rose @ 408-340-0889 (or talk to me after class)**
- f. Jan Markell interviews Dr. David Reagan regarding the 9 wars predicted to occur after the Rapture. Not until the New Heavens and New Earth are we finished with war. Topics discussed include:
 - i. Will believers witness any of the nine end-time wars and which one is next?
 - ii. Which war is next? What is the timing of the Rapture and the wars to come?
 - iii. YouTube: <https://bit.ly/3OzULXk> & Rumble: <https://bit.ly/43NU5IE>
- g. Free Prophecy Webinar this Thursday @ 5:00 PM streaming on www.MarkHenryMinistries.com
- h. Agenda Weekly: "Surviving the Dissolving Dollar" ... possible ways to preserve your wealth
 - i. <https://bit.ly/44GSLll>
- i. Are we seeing the foundation laid for the next 'Global Crisis'? (Climate Change)
 - i. <https://bit.ly/450Alqg>
- j. FBI has Abused FISA Guidelines for 'AT LEAST' 15 years - <https://bit.ly/3DxtLkW>
- k. Belief in 'Spiritual Matters' at lowest point ever: Gallup - <https://bit.ly/3qedn5K>



II. The Proper Angle on Angels

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| Angels have always existed | [] | [] |
| Angels can be male or female | [] | [] |
| Godly angels have wings & halos | [] | [] |
| 'Fallen angels' can't appear as 'good' angels | [] | [] |
| Angels always appear as brilliant beings | [] | [] |
| Angels are to be worshiped & prayed to | [] | [] |
| When we die, we become angels | [] | [] |
| Cherubs are small, child-like angelic creatures | [] | [] |
| We should pray to angels to intercede for us | [] | [] |
| Deceased loved ones become our guardian angels | [] | [] |

- a. Why study about Angels? Ephesians 6:12
 - i. This world is a battle ground. Christians are at war.
 - ii. To be effective in this battle, we must know:
 1. What the war's about
 2. What we're fighting for & our immediate objective
 3. Who's our 'ground & air support'
 4. Who we're fighting
 5. Our job function ('MOS') in the battle
 6. The abilities of both our fellow warriors as well as our opponents
 - iii. There are so many false teachings that we need to know what the Bible says.
 - iv. Awareness of the nature & activity of the spirit world increases our appreciation of the Sovereign God who controls the universe.
 - v. There's comfort in knowing we're on the winning team. Angels minister & express God's concern for us.
 - vi. Getting the proper understanding:
 1. The term angel means messenger (angelos in Greek, malak in Hebrew), the same term used for some men.
 2. Angels are not pre-incarnated humans (Mormonism and "It's A Wonderful Life" both got it wrong)
 3. Jesus is not an angel (Jehovah's Witnesses)
 4. Angels are created beings, but do not reproduce
 5. TWO GREAT STUDIES ON ANGELS:
 - <https://davidjeremiah.blog/angels-and-demons-in-the-bible-part-one/>
 - <https://www.gotquestions.org/angels-Bible.html>

- vii. The 'World's' BAD information on Angels:
 1. Over 1M web pages on 'Channeling Angels'
 2. God never wants you to 'channel' anyone or anything but HIM!
 3. Claims that the Hubble Space Telescope (supposedly) has photographed angels (50 foot wingspans, smiling faces...)
 4. And did you know that the government is spraying chem-trails in the sky to kill angels and prevent the 2nd coming of Christ? ... NOT!!!
 - viii. 'Limitations' of Angels:
 1. It may be (**MAY BE**, not definitely is) that Angels don't fully understand God's plan of redemption, or Christ's incarnation and death according to 1Peter
 2. *It was revealed to them that they were not serving themselves, but you, in these things which now have been announced to you through those who preached the gospel to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven-- things into which angels long to look.* - 1 Peter 1:11-12 (NASV)
 - ix. 81% of Americans believe in Angels in 2006 (CBS)
77% of Americans believe in Angels in 2011 (AP)
69% of Americans believe in Angels in 2023 (Gallup)
 - x. 34 of 66 Bible books make specific references to angels and their interactions with us
 - xi. Referenced 116 times in the Old Testament
 - xii. Referenced 175 times in the New Testament
- b. Answers to the quiz:**
- i. Have Angels always existed?
 1. Psalm 148:2-5 John 1:3 Colossians 1:16
 - ii. Can Angels be male or female?
 1. The Greek word for "angel" (*angelos*), is masculine. There is no feminine form of *angelos*
 2. The Hebrew word for angel is 'malak', again with no feminine form
 3. Angels are never referred to in any gender other than masculine & when angels did appear, they always appeared dressed as human males (Genesis 18:2 & 16; Ezekiel 9:2).
 4. In all appearances of angels in the Bible, never is an angel referred to as "she" or "it."
 - iii. Do Angels have wings and halos
 1. Only two types of angels mentioned in the Bible have wings: Cherubim (Exodus 25:20; Ezekiel 10:5) and Seraphim (Isaiah 6:2)
 2. Halos are found *nowhere* in the Bible... and actually have a pagan origin. Halos started appearing in Christian artwork 3rd - 4th century
 - iv. Can Fallen Angels appear as 'good angels'?
 1. 2 Cor 11:14
 - v. Do Angels always appear brilliant?
 1. Angels are spirit beings (Hebrews 1:14), so they don't have any essential physical form, or a "mandatory" consistent form
 2. Angels have the ability to appear as normal humans (Heb 13:2, Gen 18:1-19, Josh 5:13-14; Mark 16:5)
 - vi. Are Angels to be worshipped & prayed to?
 1. Rev 19:10
 - vii. Do we become angels when we die?
 1. Job 38:4-7, 1 Cor 6:3,
 - viii. Cherubs are small child-like angels
 1. Gen 3:24, 2 Chron 3:12
 - ix. Are we to pray to angels to intercede for us?
 1. Rev 22:8-9, John 17:1-26, Eph 1:13-14
 - x. Are deceased loved ones our guardian angels?
 1. Psalm 91:11, Matthew 18:10, Psalm 34:7
 - xi. Can Angels intercede for us today? Yes, but Who do we call out to and Who SENDS the angels?
 1. <https://bit.ly/3Yc9A5I>
 - xii. **SO WHAT ARE WE TO TAKE AWAY?**
 1. Angels are God's messengers... but so are we
 2. Angels are our allies in the battle against Satan
 3. We are created 'a little lower than the angels', but we will 'judge' the angels
 4. We are both created, eternal spiritual beings, whose purpose is to worship and serve God