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What does angel [ἄγγελος, aggelos] mean?

Human messenger

Pastor-teacher

Angel

Stars are used to represent angels; never human messengers or pastors.

Angels are used in consistent ways in *Revelation:*

To communicate judgments from the Supreme Court of Heaven.

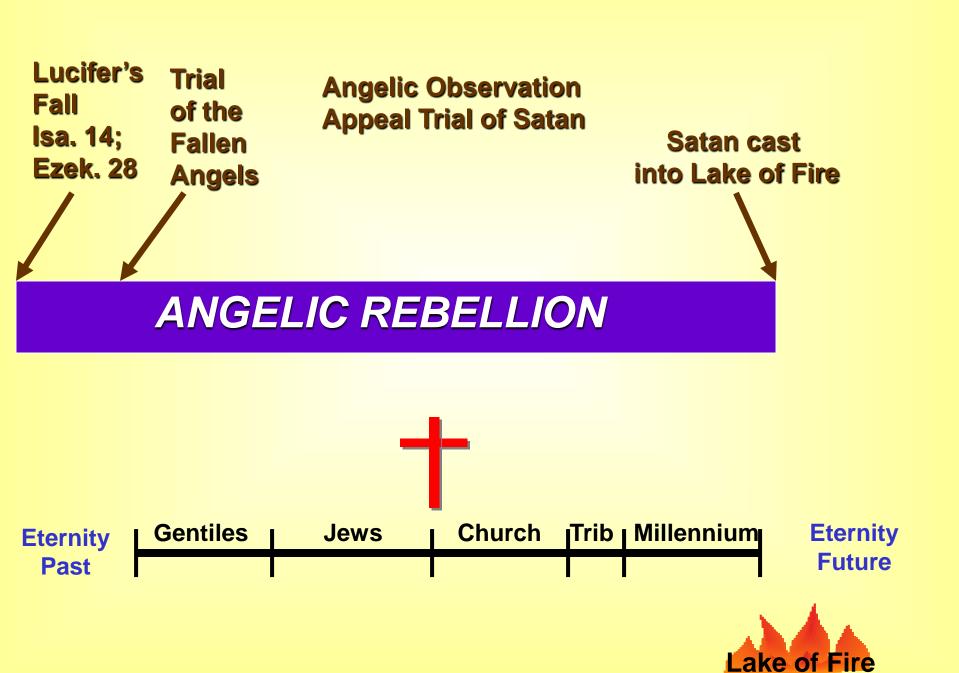
To warn of these judicial pronouncements.

To carry out or mediate these judgments.

Satan challenges God's *authority*

Satan challenges God's <u>love</u>: how can a loving God send his creatures to an eternity in a lake of fire?

Satan challenges God's *justice*, His fairness.



Zechariah 3:1, "Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to oppose him.

Zechariah 3:2, "And the LORD said to Satan, 'The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is this not a brand plucked from the fire?" Zechariah 3:3, "Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and was standing before the Angel.

Zechariah 3:4, "Then He answered and spoke to those who stood before Him, saying, 'Take away the filthy garments from him.' And to him He said, 'See, I have removed your iniquity from you, and I will clothe you with rich robes.' " Zechariah 3:5, "And I said, 'Let them put a clean turban on his head.' So they put a clean turban on his head, and they put the clothes on him. And the Angel of the LORD stood by.

Zechariah 3:6, "Then the Angel of the LORD admonished Joshua, saying,"

<u>1 John 2:1</u>, "My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." <u>1 Corinthians 4:9</u>, "For I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men." <u>Galatians 3:19</u>, "Why the Law then? It was added because of transgressions, having been ordained through angels by the agency of a mediator, until the seed would come to whom the promise had been made."

διατάσσω, diatasso (16× in New Testament)

Acts 7:53, "who have received the law by the direction of angels and have not kept it."

Angelic Witnesses

John