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Three common mistakes regarding angels:

- To not believe in angels
- To misdefine angels
- To overemphasize angels

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There are different kinds of angels.

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Cherubim

- Genesis 3:24
- Exodus 25:17-22
- Exodus 26:31-34

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Seraphim

Isaiah 6:1-7

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Angels and archangels

Daniel 10:2-14

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Angels are used by God to provide protection of His children.

Daniel 3:24-28

Daniel 6:22

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Angels are extremely powerful.

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Psalm 103:20-21

Bless the LORD, O you his angels,
you mighty ones who do his word,
obeying the voice of his word!

Bless the LORD, all his hosts,
his ministers, who do his will!

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How powerful are angels?

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2 Kings 19:35

And that night the angel of the Lord went out and struck down 185,000 in the camp of the Assyrians. And when people arose early in the morning, behold, these were all dead bodies.

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Angelic appearances cause humans great fear.

Luke 2:8-14

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How many angels are there?

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Angels bring messages from God.

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Who broke the over 400 years of silence of special revelation between the Old Testament and the New Testament?

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Luke 1:8-20

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Angels are always operating,
but rarely seen by humans.

2 Kings 6:15-17
Numbers 22:22-30

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Angels may escort you to heaven.

Luke 16:19-22

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Angels do not die, get married,
or have babies.

Luke 20:34-35

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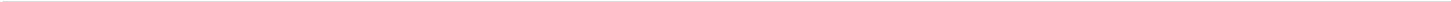
Angels are smart but not all knowing.

1 Peter 1:12

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Angels worship Jesus.

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1. What are some ways that our culture over emphasizes or wrongly defines angels?

2. Angels are extremely knowledgeable but they are not omniscient (1 Peter 1:12). What about omnipresence? Do angels possess this attribute? See Luke 1:26 and Daniel 10:12-14.

3. Were you ever taught that each person has a guardian angel? _____ This is an extremely common belief with only two vague scriptures to draw from Acts 12:15 and Matthew 18:10. What do you think, is this proof that an angel is assigned to every believer?

4. Angels are most often depicted as being female and possessing wings. Can you find any passage in the Bible that speaks of angels being female? _____ What about wings? Does it appear that some or all angels have wings? Brainstorm, and think of a few passages that describe an angelic encounter. Ex. Genesis 18:2, 16, 22; 19:1-3; Matthew 28:3, etc.

5. God has provided salvation for sinful humans through Jesus Christ, but what about fallen angels? Does the Bible ever mention the possibility of their salvation? Read 2 Peter 2:4, Jude 1:6, Mark 1:21-24, Luke 8:26-33.

6. It is a common belief that humans who go to heaven will turn into angels, and take on the role and responsibility of angels. How common is this view? What would you say to a professing Christian who held this view?
