

The Message Notes

Series: God and the Spiritual World

Message: Spiritual Beings on Earth

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Text:

Genesis 2:7. And the Lord God **formed** man of the **dust** of the **ground** and **breathed** into his nostrils the **breath** of **life**; and man became a **living being**. (NKJV)

Talk:

Review: 3 Facts about **God** and the **Spiritual** World:

Fact 1. God is real.

God is a **Spiritual being**, St. John 4:24. God **started** the **beginning**, and then **created** the **heavens** (spiritual) and the **earth** (natural), Genesis 1:1.

Fact 2. Celestial beings are real.

God created celestial beings to make a **family** and a **kingdom**. Celestial beings **assemble** in the **sacred place**, so they can **worship**, and **listen** to the **council** of God, Psalms 89:5-8. **Celestial** beings are named **sons** of God (family) and known as worshippers of God (ministers of the kingdom)."

Celestial beings' **names define** their functions such as, angels, (messengers) hosts (army), cherubim, seraphim, and archangel (warriors), Psalms 103:21."

Fact 3. Satan is real. Satan is a **fallen** angel, whose name was **Lucifer** – **light bearer**.

Fallen means to **lose status**. The cause of Satan's fall was **PRIDE! Pride** is to leave your **original** state with God and **replace** God with your **own image** (idol), based on your perfections, power, position, prosperity, popularity, etc."

Satan or **Devil** is known by **accuser**, **deceiver**, and **tempter**. **Names** for Satan's **followers** are angels, demons, unclean spirits, principalities, powers, rulers of darkness, etc.

Message #2: Spiritual Beings on Earth

1. Created in the **image** of God – Genesis 1:26-27
 - God was in council "Let **Us** make **man**" – Did the angelic beings know what a **man** was?

- God was going to make this man in His **image** (status – spiritual, holy, sons, family, and dominion over the earth)
- God created man in His **image**, male and female – Did the angelic beings know male and female sexuality?

2. Possess a **human** body – Genesis 2:7

- Dust of the ground – human substance
- Breath of life – human spirit
- Spiritual beings on earth are known as **human** beings.

“If you continue to see human history from the **dust** of the **ground** (natural) and not the **breath of life** (spiritual), Satan and his angels will continue to **deceive** you in this world.” **PK**

3. Live by the **decrees** of God – Genesis 2:28

- Creation was **good** but not **complete**
- Be fruitful – multiply – imagers of God
- Fill the earth – imagers throughout the whole earth
- Dominion – rule over the earth – wherever the image is, the rule of God resides

Guiding principles: our **originality** is of God (Genesis 1:1); our **identity** is in God (Genesis 1:26); our **sexuality** is defined by God (Genesis 1:27); our **activity** comes from God (Genesis 1:28-30); our **morality** is commanded by God (Genesis 2:15-17); our **unity** (marriage) is in God (Genesis 2:24); and our **accountability** is to God (Genesis 3:9-10).

4. Dwell in the **sacred** space – Genesis 2:15-17

- Eden the Garden – place of God’s presence
- Eden and Earth – distinct from one another
- Eden mission - cultivate and protect

Mindbenders:

1. Does life have meaning without God? If your answer is no, how does your life reflect your answer?

2. God, what is it like being you?

3. Does our disobedience to God come from our reason we didn’t ask God to create us?

4. What is the difference between religion and Christianity, Matthew 15:8, Titus 2:12?

5. What is our purpose since God created us and obligated Himself to meet our needs, Matthew 6:11?