

### (3) Stories 3.0: Angels-Seeing the Unseen Today's Story: Linda Klein

📖 Psalm 91:1 (NIV) "He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty."

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📖 2 Corinthians 4:18 (NIV) "So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen. For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."

📖 2 Kings 6:15–17 (NIV) "When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. "Oh, my lord, what shall we do?" the servant asked. <sup>16</sup> "Don't be afraid," the prophet answered. "Those who are with us are more than those who are with them." <sup>17</sup> And Elisha prayed, "O Lord, open his eyes so he may see." Then the Lord opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha."

📖 Hebrews 1:14 (NIV) "Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?"

📖 Matthew 18:10 (NIV) "See that you do not look down on one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven."

📖 Genesis 1:27 (NIV) "So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them."

📖 1 Peter 1:12 (ESV) "...the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look."

📖 Philippians 3:20–21 (NIV) "But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> who, by the power that enables Him to bring everything under His control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like His glorious body."

#### Angels are mighty warriors of God, not chubby little cherubs.

📖 Matthew 28:1–4 (NIV) "After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. <sup>2</sup> There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup> His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. <sup>4</sup> The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men."

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📖 2 Corinthians 11:14 (NIV) "...Satan himself masquerades as an angel of light."

#### Types of Angels

1. **Angelic Host:** These could be called "**common angels.**"
2. **Cherubim:** These are known for their **power and beauty.**
3. **Seraphim:** These are known to perform **priestly duties.**
4. **Archangels:** These two are named **Michael and Gabriel.**
5. **Fallen:** These are **Lucifer and his demons.**

📖 Philippians 2:10–11 (NIV) "...at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

#### Angels are worshippers of God, not recipients of worship.

📖 Revelation 5:11–12 (NIV) "Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. <sup>12</sup> In a loud voice they sang: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

📖 Revelation 7:11–12 (NIV) "All the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures. They fell down on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> saying: "Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom and thanks and honor and power and strength be to our God for ever and ever. Amen!"

📖 Revelation 22:8–9 (NIV) "I, John, am the one who heard and saw these things. And when I had heard and seen them, I fell down to worship at the feet of the angel who had been showing them to me. <sup>9</sup> But he said to me, "Do not do it! I am a fellow servant with you and with your brothers the prophets and of all who keep the words of this book. Worship God!"

**Digging Deeper:** Have you had an angel encounter? What did you learn about angels today that you didn't know? According to Scripture, an angel's job is to worship God, carry out God's purposes on earth, deliver God's messages, protect God's people, deliver them from danger, and provide encouragement. Can you describe a time when something supernatural happened to you? What's your Story? Would you be willing to share your Story on video?