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## Bible Doctrine 2 – Lesson 5

## The Doctrine of Angels

## 1 Peter 1:12

<u>Introduction</u>: When it comes to the subject of angels the temptation is to either make too much or too little of them. Ryrie says this about the approach to the doctrine of angels. "When areas of theology are slighted, this will likely be one of them, at least in standard books of theology. One has only to note the amount of space devoted to angelology in standard theologies to demonstrate this. However, in the last years of the twentieth century there has been an increasing interest in the subject as well as in Satan and demons. Articles, books, and TV programs featuring angels, though more often "warm and fuzzy" than theologically accurate, have helped generate this interest in angelology. Nevertheless, only the Bible gives us totally accurate information about angels."

So it is to the Bible that we turn to get our information about angels. In himself, man does not have the knowledge to judge what the makeup of the universe is. He has way to know if that makeup would or would not include an order of creatures like angels. He has no predisposition to assume that it does include angels, for his natural predisposition is antisupernatural. In addition, his experience would not incline him to consider the possibility of angels, and his faith in his own intellect would compel him to seek other explanations for what he cannot really understand.

As we will see the Bible just states as a matter of fact the existence of angels. So we accept what the Bible teaches and simply say that we believe in the existence of angels.

| I.  | The Biblical revelation of angels. |               |                    |
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| A.  |                                    |               |                    |
| B.  |                                    |               |                    |
| C.  |                                    |               |                    |
| II. | The                                | creation of a | angels.            |
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| B.  | The                                |               | of their creation. |
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| C.  | The                                |               | of their creation. |
| D.  | The                                |               | of their creation. |

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| III.<br>A. | The nature of angels.       |
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| B.         |                             |
| C.         |                             |
| D.         |                             |
| E.         |                             |
|            | The organization of angels. |
| A.         |                             |
| B.         |                             |
| C.         |                             |
| D.         |                             |
| V.         | The ministry of angels.     |
|            | Their ministry to           |
| B.         | Their ministry in           |
| C.         | Their ministry to           |
| D.         | Their ministry to the       |