

Angels, Authorities, and Powers Are Subjected To Him

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"For Christ also has suffered once for sins, **the Just for the unjust**, that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, **but made-alive by the Spirit**; in which also He went and preached unto the spirits in prison; who before-time were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being built, in which a few, that is, eight persons were saved by water. And correspondingly baptism does also now saves us; not the putting away of dirt from the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience to God; through the resurrection of Jesus Christ; **who has gone into heaven**, and is at the Right Hand of God; **Angels and Authorities and Powers being made Subject unto Him**.
(1 Peter 3:8-22)

Angels: from the Greek word **angelon** which mean: angels; from **angelo** a messenger. an envoy, one who is sent. Generally a supernatural messenger from God, an angel, conveying news from God to men, or performing requests for God. In context - celestial beings, of whom there are many thousands submitted to Christ. (but not all).

Authorities: from the Greek word **exousion** which mean: authorities; from **exousia**: meaning **power to act**, thus **authority**; especially moral authority, conferred power or delegated empowerment ("authorization"), operating in a designated jurisdiction.

Powers: from the Greek word **dynameon** which mean: powers, or forces, (In context **those** who have positional delegated power). From **dunamis**: power, might, strength.

Subject: from the Greek word **hypotagenton** (**hypotasso**) which mean: to place or rank under, to subject. (from **hypó**, "under" and **tássH**, "arrange") . to arrange under, to subordinate; to subject, put in subjection. In context - **having been made subject** by the Father, **through obedience to the Son**, Jesus! Properly, "under God's arrangement," i.e. submitting in obedience willingly to the Lord Jesus.

In Context: Jesus suffered and died on the Cross just once for the forgiveness of sins (our sins); **the Just for the unjust**, and thus reconciled us to the Father for all time. Then Jesus rose from the dead, eventually ascended into Heaven, and sat down at the Right Hand of Got the Father Moat High! **Then all angels, authorities, and powers, (in heaven) were made subject to, and under the authority of Jesus Himself**. Consider the following:

"But someone in a certain place testified, saying, 'What is man, that You are mindful of him? Or the Son of Man, that You take-care of Him? You made (lessened in rank) Him a little lower than the angels;' (then) You crowned Him with Glory and Honor, and did set Him over the works of Your hands. **You have put all things in subjection under His feet. For in that he put all in subjection under Him, he left nothing that is not put under Him. But now we do not yet see all things put under Him. But we see Jesus, who was made (lessened in rank) a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honor; that He by the grace of God should taste (suffer) death for every man.** For it became Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make-perfect the **Author of their Salvation** perfect through sufferings." (Hebrews 2:6-10)

The context, here in Hebrews, is that, at least in the heavens all things are subject to Jesus; but elsewhere, here on earth, we do not yet see all things put under Him in subjection to His authority as Lord of lords and King of kings!

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First let us look at the primary context, where “Angels and Authorities and Powers have been made Subject unto Jesus” in heaven. Consider the following example of angelic subjection:

Jesus, has been “made **so much better than the angels**, since He has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels has He (the Father) said at any time, 'You are My Son, this day have I begotten You?' And again, 'I will be to Him (Jesus) a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son? And again, when He brings in the Firstborn (Jesus) into the world, He (the Father) said, '**And let all the angels of God worship Him**. And of the angels He said, 'Who makes His angels spirits, and His ministers a flame of fire. (Psalm 104:4)' But unto the Son He says, 'Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a scepter (a symbol of sovereignty) of righteousness is the scepter of Your Kingdom.'” (Hebrews 1:4-8)

Angelic worship of Jesus is perhaps their most noble form of submission and subjection to Jesus! And as the angels worship Jesus, so also in equal manner they worship the Father:

“Praise you the LORD. Praise you the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights. **Praise you Him, all His angels: praise you Him, all His hosts!**” (Psalm 148:1-2)

The holy angels, those who are subject to Christ Jesus, also serve an important role in gathering and dividing the sheep from the goats before the Judgement seat of Christ Jesus at the end of the age! Consider the following:

“When the Son of man shall come in His glory, **and all the holy angels with him**, then shall He sit upon the Throne of His Glory; and before Him shall be gathered all nations: and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divides his sheep from the goats.” (see Matthew 25:31-32....)

“He answered and said unto them, 'He who sows the good seed **is the Son of Man**. The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the Kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one; and the enemy who sowed them is the devil. The harvest is (at) the end of the world; and **the reapers are the angels**. Therefore, as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. **The Son of Man (Jesus) shall send forth His angels**, and they shall gather out of His Kingdom all things that offend, and those who do iniquity; and shall cast them into a furnace of fire; and there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!' ” (Matthew 13:36-43)

And again: “The kingdom of Heaven is like unto a net, that was cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind; and when it was full, they drew it to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away. So shall it be at the end of the age: **the angels shall come forth**, and remove the wicked from among the just, and shall cast them into the furnace of fire; and there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.” (Matthew 13:47-50)

Now consider again the statement, "But now we do not yet see all things put under (subjected to) Him" - that is here on earth! We have seen, that in Heaven all things are subject to Christ Jesus, including all angels, authorities, and powers, etc.. But here on earth it is obvious that all things are not subject to Jesus. Consider the following last days prophecy spoken by Jesus to His disciples:

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“And Jesus answered and said unto them, 'Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in My name, saying, 'I am Christ;' and shall deceive many. And you shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that you be not troubled; for all these things must come to pass; but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows.' “ (Matt. 24:4-8)

Thus Jesus taught His disciples to pray as such (literal translation underlined):

"Our Father who is in the heavens, make holy the name of You; (and) come (bring) the Kingdom of You; (and) be done the will of you; (these three) upon earth, as it is in heaven." (Matthew 6:9-10)

That is we pray to the Father in heaven to:

- cause your Holy Name to be holy here on earth as it is in heaven!
- cause your Kingdom to be established here on earth as it is in heaven!
- cause your Will to be done here on earth as it is in heaven!
- make all earth based things: powers, authorities, systems, and all humanity submitted, and subject to the will of God, and the Kingdom authority of Christ Jesus, just as it is in heaven; so that the Name of the Father will be made altogether holy in the hearts of all persons here on earth as it also altogether holy in heaven - forever and ever! Amen!

Finally consider these words from Jesus:

“And when He had called the people unto Himself, with His disciples also, He said unto them, 'Whoever will come after Me, **let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow (and submit to) Me!** For whoever will save his life shall lose it; but whoever shall lose his life for My sake and the Gospel's, the same shall save it. For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? Therefore, whoever shall be ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall **the Son of Man** be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father **with the Holy (submitted) angels.**” (Mark 8:34-38)

“And then shall appear the sign **of the Son of Man** in heaven; and then shall all the tribes (unsubmitted people) of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. **And He (Jesus) shall send His angels** with a great sound of a trumpet, and **they** shall gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other!” (Matthew 18:30-31)

All the Holy Angels, Authorities, and Powers Are Subjected to the Sovereign Rule of Christ Jesus!

**Jesus is Lord of all, and Ruler over all – King of kings, and Lord of lords!
The Father has, and will put all things in subjection under His feet!**

**Lord Jesus, I look forward to Your Second Coming,
when You come in the glory of Your Father with Your Holy Angels!
Then shall the We shine forth as the sun in the Kingdom of Our Father!**

**Father, may Your Name be holy, and Your Kingdom come, and Your will be done.
upon earth as it is in Heaven! Amen! Come Lord Jesus, Come Quickly!**