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ANGEL READINGS**



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**How to Take this Course*

It's important to read this page as the items will most likely answer any questions you may have while taking the course. Importantly, I've capitalized the words, Angel, Angels, and Archangels throughout the course.

The first part of this course is general information about the Angels. You may be anxious to learn how to do Angel readings right away, however, knowing this information makes you an Advanced Angel expert. So, please don't skip these vital chapters.

*In Lessons 1, 2, & 3, some content, you probably know already, but a refresher never hurts! Additionally, for the novice, as you'll be giving readings to others, there's much about Angels than many people **don't** know about. Therefore, you'll have answers for them, and can guide them in their journey for working with the Angels. There are many ways to connect with the Angels in this course. Practice them all and choose the method that suits you best.*

- 1. Start with each lesson.** Work through the lesson and do any exercises mentioned. Watch videos when mentioned as well.
- 2. It's important that you complete the self-quizzes.** The final quiz will contain these same questions. The answers for the quizzes are in a separate handout in the *All_Other_Angels_Advanced_Course_PDF_Handouts* folder.
- 3. The live class recording may be a little different from the lessons** in this course, as we have added much more relevant content since the live class was held. Importantly, there aren't live class recordings for each week due to the two new lessons added after the live class was held.
- 4. Listen to the exercises** at mentioned at the end of each lesson. In some cases, meditation music is provided for you also.

5. **There are some exercises done in class** in the Live Class Recordings. These may or may not be recorded separately.
6. **If you see the word** (*Note:* please read carefully.)
7. Occasionally, you'll see two words that should have spaces between them. I have tried every way possible to fix this, but when I convert to PDF, it sometimes happens. Sorry about this.

The Videos

Most of the videos mentioned are on YouTube. However, some will be in the general public shared population, and some will be listed as for private watching only. Please do not share the privately listed videos with others as they haven't paid for the course. We will provide you with the individual links for all the videos in the lesson they are relevant to. Also, please wear headphones when watching videos.

About the Quizzes

You do not have to submit the self-quizzes. They are for your personal leaning retention only.

Take the quiz at the end of each lesson before proceeding on to the next lesson. This will help you when completing the Certification Quiz as the questions in the quiz are taken right from the lesson quizzes in this handbook.

Carol Nicholson



I've been blessed on two occasions in my life to have had encounters with Angels. Both encounters were totally unexpected and much needed. Although I would love to see and sense Angels all the time, I am totally content to know that they are truly with me and will intercede in my life when needed.

When I began writing this course, I thought of all the times in my life I had called out to Angels to ask for help. I started doing this at a very young age when I knew virtually nothing about Angels other than they were benevolent looking beings with wings depicted in my mother's piano books of Christmas Carol music.

As a young child, I suffered from nightmares. As our ranch house was quite large and long, any help was at the other end of the house where the adults and my older siblings watched television. But I usually kept my nightmares to myself.

What didn't help was the fact I was seeing and sensing spirits as well, but really didn't know at the time what I was experiencing. No spirits ever tried to hurt me, but my childish mind could not comprehend what was happening. It made for a very unsettling several years until I eventually outgrow my fears.

During these years of terror, I would call out to Angels to protect me. I'm not sure how I knew how to do this. I just did. Perhaps the beautiful images on the sheet music were all I needed to know that Angels were kind and loving.

My relationship with the Angels went into the background as I got older. When I moved into the corporate world, Angels were seldom on my mind, but I'm sure I could have used their help many times.

A Major Sign from the Angels

Having to quickly move from California to Arizona because my father was ill, I foolishly moved into an apartment complex sight unseen that I had viewed on the Internet. I thought it would be a perfect apartment according to pictures and diagrams of the layout

of the apartment on the website. Little did I consider that the complex was just a few miles from Arizona State University. It was soon apparent that I had landed right into a student “party city” apartment complex. It was a nightmare!

Okay, I could handle the massive pool and apartment parties lasting all day and far into the night. However, I could not, absolutely could not handle the nightly boomph—boomph—boomph music in the apartment mirroring mine. Having signed a year’s lease, I was stuck and at my wit’s end. I spent many nights on my couch feeling helpless.

One night while laying on my tummy, and having just turned out the light, I heard a sound which sounded like wings flapping. There was no mistaking it. And while I was contemplating on what I was hearing, suddenly I felt soft feathers brush my back and shoulders. Yep. It was feathers!

The event was over as quickly as it had started, and I was left wondering what had just happened. The next day I got a reply a letter that I had previously written to management complaining about my situation. The apartment company was going to let me move. Moreover, I had my choice of any other complex in the Phoenix area, and they would pay for the move! It was then that I knew that Angels had visited bringing me an encouraging sign. And, if I wasn’t sure before that Angels indeed existed, I was sure of it then.

Getting Started: Watch Carol’s Video on Angels – Listed as Public

This video was part of my master’s degree Project.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SZOyE_d9_QE

Important Disclaimers

The Subject of God

Just because you are taking this course, doesn't mean that you believe in God. The God I'm referring to is the God in the three religions of—Christianity, Jewish, and Muslim. Yet, there may be another deity that you pray to in your personal religious beliefs. Just substitute this deity when you see the word, God mentioned.

Are Angels Male or Female? I'm assigning "He" to all Angels.

It's long been debated if Angels are male or female in gender. In this course, I will assign Angels as being male and designate them as "He" for consistencies sake. In some cases, however, I mention the Angels often considered female. If you believe that a particular Angel is female, that's fine.

Have an Angel Journal

Make an Angel Journal for this course. It can be beautifully bound or just a simple notebook. It's important to have a journal to document your progress through this course and the experiences you have when doing exercises.

More importantly, your journal doesn't have to be extensive, but putting the time and date is essential. This is how you can easily track your progress and experiences.

I know that you're anxious get started so let's begin Lesson 1.

Lesson 1

An Overview of Angels and the Angelic Realms



Above: The depiction of the winged being the Sumerians called, “The Anunnaki.”

In recent years, acceleration in the belief and importance of Angels has once again become popular. Adding to this, many books have been written about Angel interventions. Basically, these days, the subject of Angels has become a cottage industry.

It’s said that God created the Angels before mankind. When God created man, Angels were assigned to be the intermediaries between God and humans. Additionally, Angels are defined as the message bearers to man, but this is not exclusive to their functions.

Why Angels Exist

Angels are beings of light. They vibrate at a far higher frequency than life on this earth plane. One of the least-known tasks Angels are assigned with, is to assist us in raising our

own vibration. In the process, they help heal our lives and the world. Lately, more and more people are reporting encounters with heavenly beings. Interestingly, according to Doreen Virtue, in her book *Healing with The Angels* (1999), “In their encounters, angels deliver timely messages, healing remedies, and lifesaving measures.”

Why are angels circling our globe so much lately? Partly because of our prayers for heavenly assistance, and partly because God and the angels know that it’s time for us to heal ourselves, our lives, and our world. As we continually move through the millennial shift, the angels help us heal the challenges and ills that keep us from moving towards our highest potential.

One essential task for the angels is to teach us that God’s love answers all questions and challenges. As mentioned, they also heal us from the effects of fear. Therefore, as you might imagine, the angels are powerful healers, and you can work with them to speed up their healing efforts. The more we invite angels into our lives, the more readily our lives reflect the splendor of heaven.

More significantly, there’s no limit to the angels’ healing power. Each contact and conversations with your angels are filled with all the tenderness, unconditional love, and joy of discovering your best friend.

Angels do not always appear sporting wings. Just ask those who claim to have had a divine encounter with an Angel. They frequently described the Angel as appearing like an ordinary person. Often there was no awareness that an Angel was actually helping them until *after* the event.

“Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained

Angels unawares.”

~Hebrews 13:2

In some cultures, Angels sometimes come disguised as animals, something in nature, or in a human form that is comfortable for us. In rare occasions, Angels are seen as radiant pulsing beings of spheres of light. Or, Angels have also been perceived as being spirals and vortices of light ranging in size from a dot to the size of a galaxy; their fibers of flowing energy extending to every part of the universe.

When Angels descend into the earthly vibration, they bring the *Light of Heaven* with them, and therefore, many people claim to have witnessed a brilliant white light surrounding the figure when experiencing a rare angelic encounter. Again, they come to us appearing in ways that are highly personal for each individual.

Interestingly, the most common descriptions of Angels are beings with light emanating from them that, at times, also gives the impression of being shimmering figures with wings. Those familiar with depictions of Angels in classical paintings see them portrayed as such and are also often shown with a halo about the head.

Stories of Divine Intervention

Stories of divine interventions from heavenly beings have been recorded from ancient times. Images of beings having wings have been found in cave drawings by Paleolithic man. Could be evidence that angelic contact occurred as long ago as 10,000 years and even before?

Intriguingly, ancient cultures such as the Sumerians, Babylonians, Persians, and Egyptians, as well as other indigenous groups, have all left us a legacy of mysterious carvings showing winged humanoid shapes to ponder.

Are these luminous beings ancient astronauts as some believe, or are they truly spiritual entities created by God solely to help mankind? It's a question that's often debated.

Angels Do More than Deliver Messages

Angels are considered a direct pathway to accessing spiritual energy and divine love. The practice of connecting with Angels also enables and accelerates spiritual growth.

People who regularly communicate with Angels, often enjoy a closer connection with God and exhibit greater self-confidence and harmony.

Angels Often Appear During Times of Need

Individuals have reported seeing Angels during emotional periods and dramatic life changes including the death of loved ones, the birth of children, writing, traveling, and mundane encounters.

Angel Name Etymology

The English name Angel comes from the Greek word *Angelos*, meaning “messenger.” As mentioned, their purpose is to bring messages to humankind and other tasks that God assigns to them. They are also our protectors against harm and the darker forces.

Spirit Guides Guardian Angels or What? Many believe that every human has a Guardian Angel or even more, depending on one’s beliefs or religion. Where this gets murky is that some believe that Guardian Angels are actually Spirit Guides. However, they are not. Spirit Guides have an entirely different function.



Additionally, Guardian Angels are often mistaken for Ancestral Guides that look over their family in times of trouble. Some cultures believe that their ancestors watch over them and pay special attention for ensuring that their ancestors in spirit are happy with them. This might involve special or strange rituals.

One such ritual is the digging up the bones of their departed loved ones, and displaying the skull in their homes. So, regardless of cultural or religious beliefs, Guardian Angels come directly from the Angelic Realms and have never lived on Earth as human beings (except for two, which you’ll learn about later).

Origins of Angel Names

Countless Angels and most Archangels' names end with the “el” suffix. “El” means “in or of God,” and the first half of the name represents the specialty of each Archangel.

The most commonly known Archangels mentioned in the Christian Bible are:

Michael, Raphael, Gabriel, and Uriel. Additionally, there are several sources which list the names of other Archangels. These come from the ancient religion of Zoroastrianism, the Muslim, and Jewish traditions.

The Christian Church Wanted to Squelch the Angels

In the eighth century, the Christian Church became alarmed at the rampant adoration of Angels by the Christian community. For some unknown reason, in 745 A.D. under Pope Zachary, a Roman council ordered seven Angels removed from the ranks of the Church's recognized Archangels, two of them being Archangels Uriel and Raguel. Yet today, many still work with Uriel and Raguel and as such, they are mentioned in this course.



Uriel

Are Angels Male or Female?

Notably, many claim Angels are androgynous, meaning Angels have both male and female attributes. Interestingly, in classical art and literature, Angels are pictured as being predominantly male. They are rarely portrayed as being female.

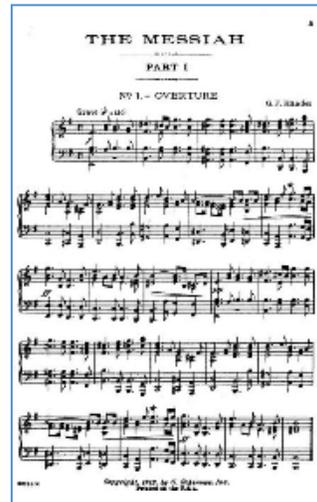
Not surprisingly, Christianity inherited its Angels from Judaism. Medieval Christian and scholarly monks moved in two directions on the subject of Angels:

1. A fascination with the personalities of specific angelic figures. Significantly, the Book of Enoch, The Testaments of Abraham, and Elijah describe various Archangels' functions and, for some reason, put focus on the Archangel Uriel.
2. Also, widely contemplated during the Middle Ages, a philosophical issue that occupied Medieval monks was the question of physicality or non-physicality of Angels. When they appeared to humans, were they flesh and blood or merely ghost-like figures? One has to wonder if these monks ever came to agreement on this.

Angels and the Arts

It's well-known that poets, composers, and artists have long called upon Angels in their works, often drawing inspiration and connecting on a very deep and personal emotional level. William Shakespeare (1564-1616), the famous playwright, drew from the Angels for artistic inspiration in many of his plays: (Hamlet I.iv.39) He proclaimed, "Angels and ministers of grace defend us!"

The composer, George F. Handel (1685-1759), created the great work, The Messiah, in 24 days. A servant, encountering Handel right after he had completed the final chorus, found him crying. Handel was so overcome with emotion, he said to the servant, "I did think I saw all of Heaven before me and the great God Himself."



Left: The founder of the Christian Science movement, Mary Baker Eddy. Eddy described Angels as "celestial visitants, flying on the spiritual, not material. Angels are pure thoughts of God, winged with Truth and Love."

Faith in Angels Comes and Goes Over Time

During the 16th and 17th centuries, many people, including theologians, questioned and disputed the powers of Angels. Some even said that Angels were not real and denied their supposed interaction with mankind.

While faith in Angels has waxed and waned over time, the belief that Angels can also heal us has recently been renewed, regardless of the emergence of modern scientific medicine and technology.

Angels are Huge and Powerful

Angels are not the sugary cute beings as some would portray them—even in Angel Oracle Cards. In actuality, Angels, when in their true form, are gigantic in stature and have an incredibly powerful vibration. However, they will scale down their size and vibration to either deliver a message, or to intercede and provide assistance when sent by God, or to save someone from death.



Can Guardian Angels Be Seen?

Usually, one can't physically see Angels even if asking to. Nevertheless, they are a significant protective and loving presence. We know that Angels are benevolent and always assisting. They help people to achieve their life mission, to recognize their potential, and often encourage their charges to development their talents.

Most assuredly, almost every experience with an Angel that has ever been recorded has been described positively. So, tune in with the angelic realm every day and thank your Angels for what they are doing for you. They love us unconditionally and are free of judgment or bias. Even more importantly, people, who are receptive to Angels often experience an immediate sense of peacefulness and well-being when initiating contact.

“Then I looked and heard the voices of Angels around the throne and the living creatures and the elders, and the number of them was myriads, and thousands upon thousands.”

~Revelations 5:11

Angels in Religion

In Islamic tradition, Angels are considered luminous beings that connect the creator with the visible world. As such, Angels are a substantial part of the Muslim religious faith.

“The Messenger believeth in what hath been revealed to him from His Lord, as do the men of faith. Each one believeth in Allah, His Angels, His books, and His Messengers.”

Angels will appear in ways which are familiar to us. For example, if a Caucasian-looking Angel appears to someone of Japanese ancestry, they may not be recognized as an Angel. In other examples, Angels have been reported as being Black. As for North American Indians or remote indigenous cultures, they might even appear as a power animal, or even a God-like totem figure that is known to that culture. Very often, Angels have even been depicted as some kind of fearsome creature. Evidence of this is found in various cultures worldwide. (See right.)



Indigenous Totem Found in Alaska

Just Who Are the Guardian Angels?

According to Cabalistic [kab-uh-lis-tik] doctrines of the Middle Ages, the number of Angels hovering closest to the earthly realm numbered at about 301,000,000. From this group, comes the Guardian Angels.

The Talmud tells us that every Jew is assigned eleven thousand Angels at birth to serve as their Guardian Angels. However, the Christian tradition says that each person has one to two Guardian Angels assigned at birth. Quite a difference, eh?

When Guardian Angels Intervene

A Guardian Angel is a personal protector that watches over their charge. In general terms, these heavenly guardians can only interfere in a person's life if they are explicitly invited in, sent by God, or that their charge is in mortal danger. So, it's commonly believed today, that most individuals have at least one Guardian Angel with them throughout their lifetime.

Your own Guardian, without a doubt, is a special kind of Angel that is with you from the moment you are born and throughout your life. Again, Guardian Angels will only intervene when it is a matter of life and death, and that person's time for passing has not yet come or asked to. Again, I emphasize that Messenger Angels take on human form for short periods to relay a message, to help in times of danger, or to teach a vital lesson.

More significantly, Guardian Angels don't wish to frighten us. So initially, their approach may be very subtle. When unusual events occur, we need to process them and get used to the idea that something beyond the norm has happened to us. Once we've gotten used to the notion that our Guardian Angels are always with us, the more we are consciously aware that interaction is possible.

Angels use signs to show that they are with us. Later in this course, I'll cover more about the signs Angels provide us with that indicate they are around.

Here's a preview:



If a white feather, in whatever condition, appears seemingly out of nowhere, this is an indication that your Guardian Angels are saying hello or want you to stop and "listen" for any messages they might be sending. I've had this often occur many times in my life. Sometimes

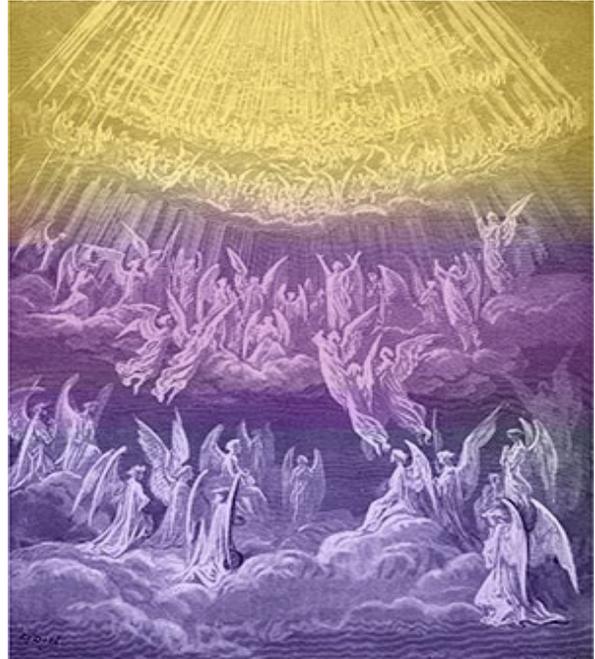
I've found a pristine white feather and wonder, "Where did this come from?" Now I know!

Each Guardian Angel May Work Differently

All Guardian Angels don't work in the same way. They adapt their approach according to our individual personalities.

Some Guardian Angels are more hands-on than others. They like to make it clear that they are with us. Or, Guardian Angels prefer to stand back and wait to be invited in. If you haven't thought of doing this before, now mentally encourage your Guardian Angels to be active in your life. This is more for you than for them. Question: "Where are the Angels? Are they in heaven?"

Carol's answer: It depends on what you mean by "heaven." The notion of heaven is different for many kinds of people and religions. We know there is a specific dimension, or realm, where the Angels reside. This dimension is not high up in the air or way out in space, as most people think of heaven to be, but co-exists within our earthly dimension. This is how the Archangels and Angels can come and go so effortlessly.



Painting: Celestial Hierarchy of Angels

The Celestial Hierarchy of Angels

In the 5th century, one of the earliest Christian theologians, Dionysius the Aerolite, set forth a *Hierarchy of Angels in a treatise*. This ranking of Angels was later endorsed in the 11th century by the religious scholar St. Thomas of Aquinas. This delineation of Angels is still widely followed today, but is not the only hierarchy that has been put forth. However, the following hierarchy *model* is still the most adhered to for the ordering of the Angelic ranks:

The First Hierarchy:

The Seraphim:

Angels with a powerful fiery appearance, pictured with wings and flames; they constantly sing God's praise and regulate the processes of heaven.

The Cherubim:

These are not cute cherubs. They are depicted with multi-eyed peacock feathers to symbolize their all-knowing character.

The Thrones:

The many-eyed ones represented by wheels of fire to symbolize divine majesty.

The Second Hierarchy:

The Dominions:

Carry a scepter and sword to symbolize the divine power of creation.

The Virtues:

The brilliant or shining ones are associated with acts of heroism.

The Powers:

Prevent the fallen Angels from taking over the world and keep the universe in balance.

The Third Hierarchy:

The Principalities:

Represent the proctors of princes; Guardian Angels of cities, nations, and rulers.

The Archangels:

Carry God's messages to humans, command God's armies of Angels in the constant battle with the Sons of Darkness.

The Angels:

Celestial beings closest to humans, they are the intermediary between God and mortals. Angels are Earth's Guardians also.

The Ranks of Guardian Angels

Fascinatingly, several sub tiers of Guardian Angels are not necessarily assigned to individual humans. For example, a Nature Angel is a guardian that oversees a particular element on Earth, for example an ocean. These Angels take precedence over the nature spirits and are the first line of defense for these locations.

Where Angels Dwell

Angels reside in a different realm or dimension that is part of the Astral Plane. The Astral Plane is an alternate interconnective dimension that interpenetrates ours. As mentioned, this plane is the closest to our Earth plane. However, within this dimension are also many sub-planes where the various groups of Angels dwell. I like to think of these sub-planes as bubble worlds that hold the many groups of Angels. Within the bubbles, all Angels with their unique specializations are continually working to help humankind.

Wanna Have Angel Sanctuary?

Creating an Angel Altar is one of the most powerful ways to harness the light energy of your angelic guides. Here's why. Angels are beings of light. As such, they vibrate at a far greater frequency than life on the Earth plane. Consequently, an Angel Altar can be a portal through which your Angels can come and go.

