

بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم Nahj al-Balaghah Lesson 5 The Angels

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The Creation of Angels:

«ثُمَّ فَتَقَ ما بَينَ السَمُواتِ العُلىٰ فَمَلَأَهُنَّ أطواراً مِن ملائِكَتِه»

"Then He created the openings between high skies and filled them with all classes of His angels."

 Believing in angels is a sign of faith as they are a dimension of the invisible world.

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- Some *ahadith* imply that the angels are the most things created
- The majority of the world is goodness

The angels are pure innocence, but humans are given the tendency toward evil to also give them the potential to be higher than angels by choosing the good.

1. Some of them are always worshipping God in *Sujud*, *Ruku'*, etc. without tiresome, boredom and so on.

Is the angel's worship symbolic or real?

- According to the majority of scholars: The angels have a physical body and the only immaterial is God.
 - According to some: The different acts of worship are only symbolic and levels of humility to God.
 - 2. They work as trusted bearers of His message, serve as speaking tongues for His prophets and carry His orders and injunctions.



- 3. They are the protectors of His creatures and guards of the doors of paradise gardens.
- 4. Those also whose steps are fixed on earth but their necks are protruding into the skies... their shoulders are in accord with the columns of the Divine
- I m a m SThrone ... They do not think of their Creator through image, do not impute to Him attributes of the created ...

Some general tasks the angels do:

- Management of every physical factor
- Aiding the prophets and believers
- Sending punishments on some
- Taking the souls

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