



Angels We Have Heard

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¹⁰ But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. ¹¹ Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord. ¹² This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.”

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¹³ Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying,
¹⁴ “Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace to those on whom his
favor rests.”

Luke 2:8-15

¹⁵ When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let’s go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.”

A close-up photograph of a Christmas tree branch with dark green, needle-covered branches. The background is dark with numerous out-of-focus, warm-toned lights (bokeh) in shades of yellow and orange, creating a festive and cozy atmosphere. The text is centered over the image in a clean, white, sans-serif font.

**Is the angelic more present in
your life than you realise?**



Ophanim by artist Danilo Wolf (2021)

A Delegate

(human or
celestial)

aggelos = a messenger /
envoy or delegate who is sent
malak = a dispatched
messenger, ambassador or
deputy

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**God wants us to be receptive
and to remember.**

An Unexpected Delegate

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A close-up photograph of a Christmas tree branch with dark green, needle-covered branches. The background is dark with numerous warm, glowing bokeh lights, creating a festive and cozy atmosphere. The text "God regularly uses disruption." is overlaid on the image in a clean, sans-serif font. The word "disruption" is highlighted in a light green color.

God regularly uses **disruption**.

**An
Unexpected
Delegate
with News**

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Be prepared. Be aware.

**God still uses
unexpected messengers.**

Hebrews 13:1-2

¹ Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. ² Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels **without knowing it.**

**Genesis
37:12-18**

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**Genesis
45:4-8**

...When Joseph arrived at Shechem, ¹⁵ a man found him wandering around in the fields and asked him, “What are you looking for?”

¹⁶ He replied, “I’m looking for my brothers. Can you tell me where they are grazing their flocks?”

¹⁷ “They have moved on from here,” the man answered. “I heard them say, ‘Let’s go to Dothan.’”

So Joseph went after his brothers and found them near Dothan. ¹⁸ But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

Genesis
37:12-18

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Genesis
45:4-8

⁵ "And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that **God sent me ahead of you.**
⁶ For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will be no plowing and reaping. ⁷ But **God sent me ahead of you** to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance."



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Ibn Ezra =

Ramban =



Rabbi Rashi = the angel Gabriel

Ibn Ezra =

Ramban =

A close-up photograph of a dark green evergreen tree branch, likely a spruce or fir, with fine needles. The background is dark and filled with numerous out-of-focus, warm-toned circular lights, creating a bokeh effect. The text is overlaid in white on the central part of the branch.

Rabbi Rashi = the angel Gabriel

Ibn Ezra = a passerby

Ramban =



Rabbi Rashi = the angel Gabriel

Ibn Ezra = a passerby

Ramban = an unwitting guide



**Every angel, human or celestial, is
God's messenger activated to
implement His will on earth.**