

**Pursuivant Destroyers: As Men, Gen 18-19, As Angels, Exod 12:23; 2 Sam 24:15-17;
Weather Control, Rev 7:1-3; Guardians: Of Children, Believers, Client Nations**

- 18) The next level of angelic authority is pursuivant \per'-si-vant\. These angels are wingless and serve as the rank and file in the angelic armies and the college of heralds. They carry out missions following the directives of Jesus Christ as He delegates down through the seraphs and cherubs. Here are some examples:
1. The angelic messengers who accompanied Christ in Operation Sodom and Gomorrah. They are referred to in the NASB translation in several ways:
 - (1) while accompanying the Lord in their visit to Abraham in Genesis 18:2, the trio is referred to by him as “three men,”
 - (2) on their arrival at the gate of Sodom they are described by Moses as “two angels” in Genesis 19:1, and
 - (3) they are referred to as “the men” by the opiate-obsessed Sodomites in their pleas with Lot to bring them out of his house in order to ravish them.
 2. They function as “destroyers” inflicting collective discipline against those who fall under divine wrath: (1) the firstborn of the Egyptians under the tenth plague; those Israelites with lamb’s blood on their doorposts being spared in Exodus 12:23, and (2) the Jews who participated in David’s census taking in 2 Samuel 24:15-17.
 3. The weather angels who are delegated the responsibility of controlling global weather. Four are assigned the duty in Revelation 7:1 and function under the authority of a cherub:

Revelation 7:1 - After this I saw four angels [**pursuivants**] standing at alert at the four corners of the earth, restraining the four winds [**the earth’s weather consists of 12 wind cells, three per quadrisphere**] so that no wind would blow on the earth or on the sea or on any tree.

v. 2 - Then I saw another angel [**cherub commander of the weather pursuivants**] who had the seal of the living God [**coat of arms**] coming up from the east and he shouted a command to the four pursuivants, those given authority to damage the land and the sea.

v. 3 - And the cherub commander issued his mandate: “Do not damage the land or the sea or the trees until we have sealed the servants of our God [**the 144,000 Jewish evangelists**] in their foreheads [**grace before judgment**].

19) Church Age believers are privileged to have the protection of guardian angels that function in four categories”

1. All children have guardian angels whose assignment is to protect them through childhood. The Lord refers to these in:

Matthew 18:10 - “See to it that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in heaven continually see the face of My Father who is in heaven.

2. Angels are guardians of Church Age believers. Their function is explained in Psalm 91 and their protection is described in Hebrews 1.

Psalm 91:11 -He will give His angels charge concerning you, to guard you in all your ways.

v. 12 - They will bear you up in their hands, that you do not strike your foot against a stone.

Hebrews 1:14 - Are they [guardian angels] not all ministering spirits, sent out to render service for the sake of those who will inherit salvation?

3. The Pivot collectively has angelic protection within a client nation. For example, Michael is the guardian angel for Israel as revealed in Daniel 10.
4. In this passage Daniel, who is then elderly and residing in Chaldea, has seen a vision regarding the future of Israel and has entered into a fast until its full meaning is made known to him. The archangel Gabriel is sent by the Lord to answer Daniel’s prayer but is delayed for three weeks due to a major battle in the Invisible War taking place in Persia, which he explains to Daniel in:

Daniel 10:12 -Then he [Gabriel: archangel, seraph rank, from the Angelic College of Heralds] said to me, “Do not be afraid, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart on understanding this and on humbling yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I have come in response to your words.

v. 13 - “But the prince of the kingdom of Persia [a high-ranking demon in the category of κοσμοκράτωρ, kosmokratōr: “world-ruler”: a fallen angel who has “parts of the cosmos under his control”¹ (See Ephesians 6:12, “world forces of this darkness” NASB)] was withstanding me for twenty-one days; then behold, Michael [archangel, seraph rank from the Angelic Order of Battle], one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left there with the kings of Persia [Cyrus].

¹ Walter Bauer, “κοσμοκράτωρ,” in *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and Other Early Christian Literature*, eds., William F. Arndt and F. Wilber Gingrich, 2d ed. (Chicago: The University of Chicago Press, 1959, 1979), 445.

5. Before giving his explanation to Daniel, Gabriel told him he must return to Persia and resume the fight with the prince of Persia, especially considering that the prince of Greece was being transferred as reinforcement to the Persian theater.

Daniel 10:20 -Then he said, "... I shall now return to fight against the prince of Persia; so I am going forth, and behold, the prince of Greece is about to come.

v. 21 - "However, I will tell you what is inscribed in the writing of the truth. Yet there is no one who stands firmly with me against these forces except Michael your prince [**Michael is the guardian of Israel**].

6. There are numerous passages in Scripture that give us insight into the world of the unseen. We have recently established that the Bible is the only absolute source of truth and therefore its contents may be trusted to inform us of things that would be otherwise inscrutable. The Invisible War is one of these subjects.
7. We learn from Daniel that in this war high-ranking angelic warriors contend for the souls of men and heavy emphasis is placed on capital cities of the world's nations.