

CHRISTIANS ARE TO DO THE WORK OF ANGELS

Luke 2:14

(Brief outline, add own comments)

Introduction: There are times when music fills the air, for instance at Christmas time. Carols are heard everywhere and during Sunday services there is music which the choirs and congregations sing. Perhaps this pattern was set for us by what the angels did who announced the birth of the Christ child. In "unison" the angels spoke about the newborn babe born in Bethlehem. "Angel" is God's word for "a messenger." Christians are to do some of the same things angels do and that is to be a messenger.

1. An angel announced to Mary and Joseph the forthcoming birth of the Savior. *Matthew 1:18-21*
2. An angel announced to Shepherds the arrival of the Savior. *Luke 2:8-12*
3. A group of angels spoke in unison (perhaps sang) an anthem of praise at the time of Christ's birth. *Luke 2:14-15*
4. The angels ministered to Christ immediately after His victory over temptation after 40 days in the wilderness. *Matthew 4:11*
5. Angels announced to Mary that her Son, the Christ, had conquered death and the grave that He was resurrected. *John 10:12-13*
6. Angels explained Christ's ascension and prophesied of His personal return to earth for His own. *Acts 1:10-11*
7. There are numerous other times when angels delivered God's messages to people.

CONCLUSION:

1. Christians perform the function of an angel when they sing of and praise the Lord Jesus, Savior, when they speak about Jesus, when they share their lives for Him in any way.
2. Christians spend time in worshiping the Lord Jesus Christ and so do the angels.
3. Christians are God's messengers here on earth, just as the angels were and still are.