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## The cherubims.

Having finished a study of the angels we now cover cherubims (plural of cherub) as angelic beings.

Scriptures upon which this teaching is founded.

**1. Cherubims of gold were at each end of the mercy seat, having wings and faces.**

“And the cherubims shall stretch forth [their] wings on high, covering the mercy seat with their wings, and their faces [shall look] one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be” (Ex.25:20 – see also Ex 37: 8 & 9 c.f. Ex 25:18).

God came down to Israel in the wilderness in a pillar of cloud, in a pillar of fire (Ex.13: 21), and He also sat between the cherubims (Ps.99: 1), which were upon the ark of the testimony (Ex.25: 22). Israel were blessed when they had the ark (1Chr.13: 14), and were indefensible in battle with the ark (1Sam.4: 3).

**2. In heaven cherubims have the appearance of a creature with wings, and wheels.**

“And the cherubims were lifted up. This is the living creature that I saw by the river of Chebar. And when the cherubims went, the wheels went by them: and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same wheels also turned not from beside them” (Eze 10:15 & 16).

**3. In heaven the cherubims’ wings were as the voice of God when He speaks.**

“And the sound of the cherubims’ wings was heard [even] to the outer court, as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh” (Ez.10: 5).

The cherubims in heaven are angelic type beings, that have wings which sound like the voice of God when He speaks.

**4. God rode upon a cherub – identified as the wings of the wind.**

“And he rode upon a cherub, and did fly: and he was seen upon the wings of the wind” (2Sam 22:11). See also Ps.18: 10.

Think for a moment about God Almighty riding on a cherub which were seen to be the wings of the wind. Think about that for a couple of years, and stand in awe of our God (Ps.33: 8)!

Additional comments on our four points.

We do not worship cherubims, but our Father’s voice sounds like their wings and He rode on one like the wings of the wind.

Applying the teaching to our life today.

There is nothing worse as a Christian than being asked a question from a non-believer who desires to beguile you, and not be able to answer it; like who are the cherubims in the bible?

Question to think about.

Would you only study cherubims so that you do not get caught out one day when asked who they are, or is there more in this study for us today?

My answer to our question from the scriptures.

i) “All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine...for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect thoroughly furnished unto all good works” (2Tim.3: 16 & 17). Hence, it is profitable to receive instruction on cherubims.

ii) “That ye might walk worthy of the Lord unto all pleasing, being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God” (Col.1: 10). Hence, when we learn about cherubims we grow in the knowledge of the God of scripture, because God placed them at the east of the garden (Gen. 3: 24), He rode on one as the wind, and His voice is like the sound of their wings. Wow!