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THE ORIGINAL CHRISTMAS CAST
ANGELS
Matthew 1:18-24; Luke 1:28-37; 2:8-15

Who did they talk with?

- **Zacharias**. Luke 1:11-21
- **Mary**. Luke 1:28, 30-36
- **Joseph**. Matt. 1:20-23
- **Shepherds**. Luke 2:8-15

What was their message?

- God was **stepping** into the world. Matt. 1:18, 20-23; Luke 1:27, 31, 34-35; Luke 2:10-11; Gen. 3:15; Is. 7:14; 9:6
- God providing **man's** redemption.
 - Jesus (Savior). He is the deliverer—being **saved** from terrible disaster that leads to perishing. Matt. 1:18-21; Luke 2:11; John 3:16; Rom. 8:3
 - Christ. The Anointed **One**. Matt. 1:18; Luke 2:11; Deut. 18:15-19; Ps. 110:4; 2 Sam. 7:12-13
 - LORD—possessing authority, **power** and control. Luke 1:32; 2:11; Col. 1:15, 18; Rev. 3:4; 17:4
 - Immanuel (God with **us**). Matt. 1:23; Is. 7:14; 8:8, 10; Gal. 4:4; Phil. 2:7-11
 - **Son** of God and Deity of Jesus Christ. Luke 1:35; 2 Cor. 5:21; Heb. 4:15; 7:26
- Christ brought joy and peace to us and **glory** to God. Luke 2:10; Matt. 1:21; Luke 2:14; Rom. 5:1; Phil. 4:7; John 14:11

Application.

- Are you willing to **accept** the message of the angels?
- Are you willing to **share** this message?
- Are you willing to let the message be your **life**?

How do angels compare to human beings?

They are stronger than man, but not omnipotent.
Psalm 103:20; 2 Peter 2:11

They are greater than man in knowledge, but not omniscient.
2 Samuel 14:20; Matthew 24:36

They are more noble than man, but not omnipresent.
Daniel 9:21-23, 10:10-14

Angels can take on the appearance of men when the occasion demands.
Hebrews 13:2

Their appearance is sometimes in dazzling white and blazing glory.
Matthew 28:2-4

Angels do not marry or reproduce like humans.
Matthew 22:30

Angels are a company or association, not a race descended from a common ancestor.
Luke 20:34-36

Angels are spirits, like the soul of man, but without a physical body.
Hebrews 1:14