

THE HOLY ANGELS

The word “angel” means “messenger” [Arm. hreshdag] and this word expresses the nature of angelic service to the human race. From the days of man’s life in paradise, mankind has known of their existence, and its almost universal recognition is reflected not only in Judaism but in most other ancient religions as well.

By their nature, angels are active spirits endowed with reason, will and knowledge; they serve God, fulfil the will of His Providence and praise Him. They are incorporeal spirits, and because they belong to the invisible world, cannot be seen by our bodily eyes. In the book of Tobit, the angel accompanying Tobit and his son says of himself: “All these days I was visible to you, but I neither ate nor drank, this only appeared to your eyes” (Tobit 12:19).

Angels are the most perfect spirits, superior to man in their spiritual powers; but even they, like all creation; are bound by their limitations. As they are incorporeal spirits, they are less confined, by space and place than men, and can travel distances of, to us, inconceivable vastness with lightning speed, to appear where it is necessary for them to act. However, it is impossible to say that they are totally independent of limitations of space and place, or that they could be omnipresent. Holy Scripture depicts angels as descending from heaven to earth, or ascending from earth to heaven, which gives us reason to believe that they cannot be on earth and in heaven at the same time.

Only three angels are mentioned by name in the Bible: **Michael** (Hebrew “Who is like God?”), **Gabriel** (Hebrew “Messenger of God”), and **Raphael** (Hebrew “God Heals”).

Complete the puzzle to uncover the missing word.

“My little daughter is dying. Please, come and put your hands on her so that she will be _____ and live.”

Mark 5:23 (NIV)



HNDAS
6

LVIE
4 2

CLHID
1

DAED
5 3

1 2 3 4 5 6



RAISING SAINTS

SUNDAY BULLETIN FOR YOUTH

FAITH IN GOD

Ninth Sunday of the Holy Cross | Gospel Reading: Luke 8:49-56

What does it mean to have faith in God? In today’s Gospel reading, Jairus is the leader of a synagogue and his little girl was sick. Jairus went to get Jesus to come and heal his daughter, but when they were walking back to the house, a man came and told Jairus that they were too late and his 12-year-old daughter had died.

Immediately, Jesus said to Jairus, “Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well.” Later, Jesus, Jairus and three disciples go to the room where the little girl and her mother were and Jesus raises her from the dead. It was an amazing miracle to see a dead person come back to life and this happened because Jairus had faith. Once he heard his daughter was dead, he did not tell Jesus to leave or get mad that they did not make it home in time to heal her, but he trusted in Christ’s words and promise.

When we have difficulties in our lives and are worried about the future, we should listen to Christ’s words to Jairus and believe in what He has promised. We must believe and have faith that God will watch over us and help us in our moment of need.

But we must be aware that faith does not just mean believing with our minds, but also living our life in accordance with Christ’s words. Faith does not mean we merely say we believe in Jesus Christ and that is it, but we must demonstrate our faith in the things we do, living a Christian life.

This means we must be ready to help others, forgive those who do us wrong, love our friends and strangers, and share the good news of Christ to everyone.

Do you show your faith in God with what you do?

What else can you do to demonstrate your faith to others so they too may believe?

ARMENIAN WORDS TO KNOW FROM HOLY BADARAK

հավատով => havadov => with faith

Երկիրի եւ **հավատով** յառաջ մատիք
 եւ սրբութեամբ յաղորդեցարուք:
 Yergyoogheev yev **havadov** harach madeek
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 With fear and **with faith**, draw near
 and commune in holiness.

(An example is on page 49 in the Liturgy Book)

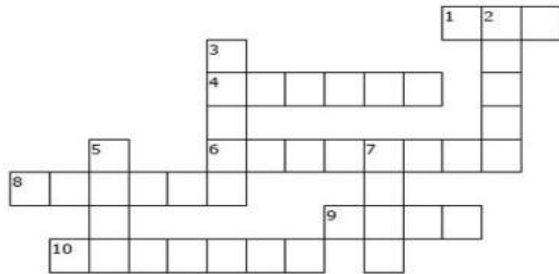
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“Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well.”
 Luke 8:50

Jesus Raises a Dead Girl

While Jesus was still speaking, some people came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue leader. “Your daughter is dead,” they said. “Why bother the teacher anymore?” Overhearing what they said, Jesus told him, “Don’t be afraid; just believe.” Mark 5:35-43 (NIV)
 Puzzle is based on Mark 5:35-43



ACROSS

- 1. To shed tears; to be tearful
- 4. To be filled with fear
- 6. A female offspring
- 8. A ruler in the synagogue who had a daughter who was dying
- 9. Taking steps with the feet
- 10. To accept something as being true

DOWN

- 2. A leader or someone who governs
- 3. The part of the human body used for grasping and holding
- 5. To be alive; exist
- 7. To make someone well; restore to health

WALK	DAUGHTER	AFRAID	HANDS	JARIUS
LIVE	BELIEVE	RULER	CRY	HEAL

SPIRITUAL THOUGHT

The kingdom has a door, a way and a key. The door to the kingdom is Jesus Himself. What shows the way to the kingdom is the Bible. And the key to the door of the kingdom is the cross of Jesus.

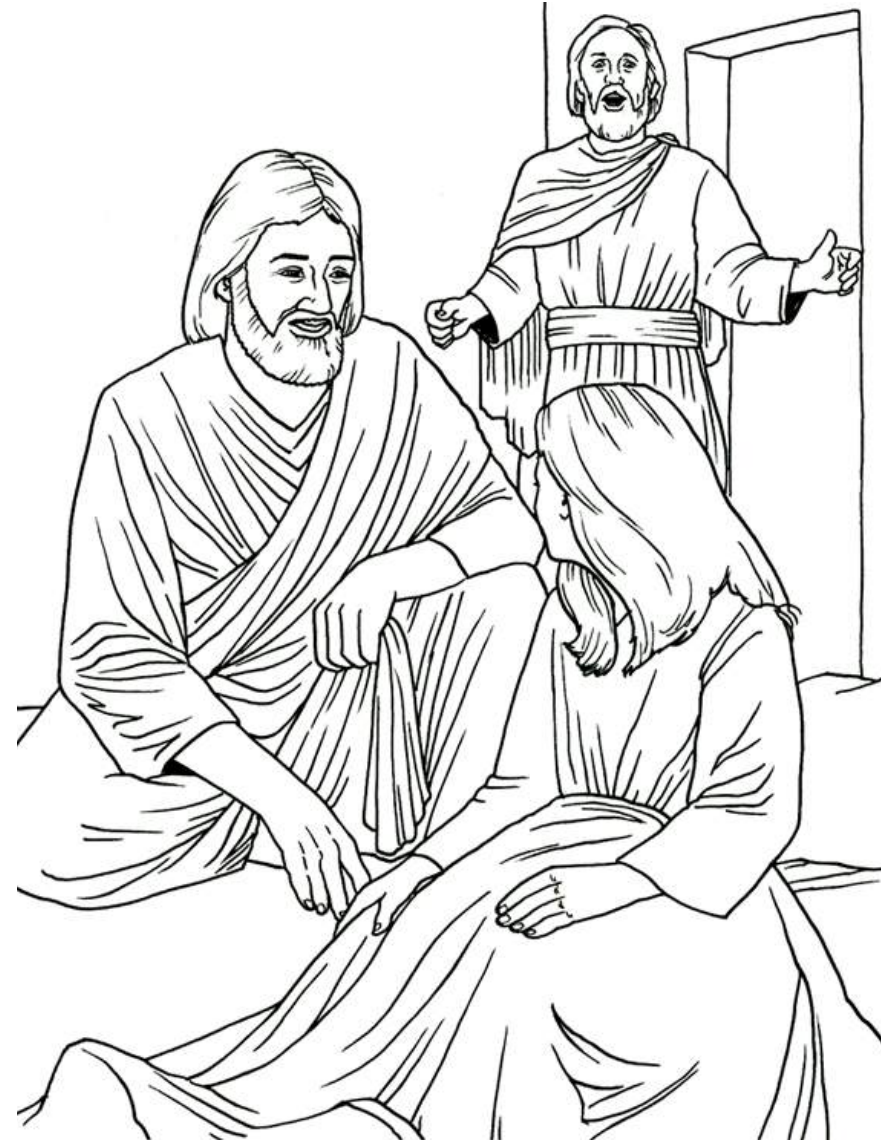


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