

# Everyday FAITH Family Page

# 3 in 1: Discovering Our

#### **Triune God**

#### **Key Point**

God sent an angel to help Peter. God's angels also help me.

#### **Bible Words**

He will command His angels . . . to guard you in all your ways.

Psalm 91:11

#### Law/Gospel

I am tempted to believe that God abandons me to the world and doesn't care for me in my suffering. God loves me so much that He sent His Son to save me. He is with me always and sends His angels to protect me and to care for me in times of need.

#### **Fun Facts**

- When the angel appeared, Peter wasn't sure it was real. He thought he saw a vision.
- The angel safely led Peter away from two soldiers chained to him and past two quards.
- An iron gate leading into the city opened on its own.
- The angel left once Peter was safely on the street.
- Peter went to Mary's house in Jerusalem. Christians came there to pray for him, but they did not believe he was at the door.

# God Made the Angels: An Angel Rescues Peter Acts 12:4-17

hat do we know about angels? Are they really the beautiful humanlike creatures we see in paintings with halos, wings, and long, flowing white robes? There are many imaginative stories about angels, but if we really want to know the truth about angels, we need to go to the Bible.

Today's lesson tells us about an angel God sent to free Peter from prison. King Herod had seized Peter and put him in jail, intending to execute him to please the people who were against Christianity. God's angel woke Peter from sleep and led him past sleeping guards and through an iron gate to safety. Peter served God for many more years.

### What does the Bible teach about angels?

- God created angels, spiritual beings (Nehemiah 9:6).
- Good angels are many and powerful (Luke 2:13; Psalm 103:20).
- Angels are God's messengers and servants (Luke 1:13, 26–28).
- Angels protect God's people (Psalm 91:11–12; Hebrews 1:13–14).
- Angels worship and praise God continually and lead us to do the same (Luke 2:13-14; Psalm 103:20-21).
- Angels wage war on God's behalf and rescue and protect God's people (Genesis 16:9; Exodus 14:19; 23:20; 2 Chronicles 32:21).

Use the concordance in your Bible to find more verses about angels.

## **Luther's Evening Prayer**

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

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