The 8 Archangels and their attributes



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"It is not because angels are holier than men or devils that makes them angels, but because they do not expect holiness from one another, but from God alone."

William Blake (1757 – 1827)



Archangel Salathiel: "Prayer of God" or "Intercessor of God."

Salathiel represents the three different types of prayer; blessing, supplication and praise. These three types of prayer are how we are to pray to God. He is depicted with his face and eyes lowered, holding his hands to his heart in prayer.



Archangel Jeremiel: Height of God" or "Gods exaltation"

He is venerated as an inspirer and awakener of exalted thoughts that raise a person toward God. He is shown holding scales in his right hand.



Archangel Raphael: "Help of God" or "Gods healing"

He is depicted leading Tobias and carrying the medicinal fish caught in the Tigris and, or holding a physician's alabaster jar.



Archangel Gabriel: "Man of God" or "Might of God"

He is the herald of the mysteries of God and is depicted holding a lantern with a lighted taper inside with his right hand and in his left hand he holds a mirror of jasper. The mirror signifies the wisdom of God as a hidden mystery



Archangel Michael: "Strength of God" or "who is like God"

He is considered the defender of the faith and is depicted as a commander holding a sword in his right hand and a Palm branch or a silver medallion with an image of Christ in his left hand.



Archangel Jegudiel: Praise of God" or "Glorifier of God"

He is depicted bearing a crown or golden wreath in his right hand and a triple-thonged whip in his left hand



Archangel Barachiel: "Blessing of God." or "Gods Blessing"

He is commander of all the legions of angels including the Guardian angels. He is depicted holding a single white rose against his breast, holding several roses, or having roses strewn about him.



Archangel Uriel: "Fire of God" or "Light of God"

He is depicted holding a sword against the Persians in his right hand and a flame in his left hand