

**Angels are a favourite topic of films, books, adverts, songs and paintings**

Who Does He Think He Is?



PAUL HOGAN IS  
**Almost an Angel**

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THIS CHRISTMAS, THE GUY FROM POWER RANGERS IS WORKING FOR THE MAN UPSTAIRS.

A woman with long dark hair, wearing a white fringed top and white shorts, is sitting on a swing. She has large, black, feathered angel wings on her back. She is holding a small black dog with white markings on its face. The background is dark with some light effects. The overall theme is about being an angel for animals.

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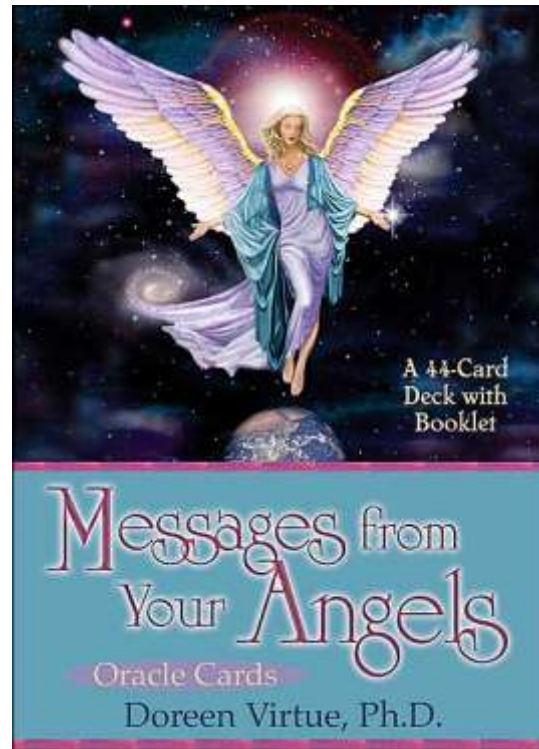
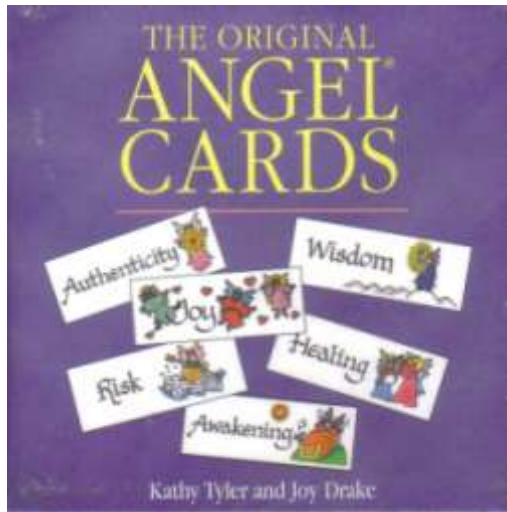
BE AN  
**ANGEL**  
FOR ANIMALS

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Millions of companion animals are condemned to a sad life of loneliness—isolated in a crate or pen or kept on a chain with no exercise or attention. Your animal companions need and deserve lots of playtime, love, and care—they are part of your family. **Be your animals' guardian angel—they depend on you.**



# There is a huge New Age Angel Market!





**The word ‘angel’ comes from the Greek – *angelos* which means ‘messenger of God**



**Angels appear across religions and faiths, reflecting a shared belief that we may not be the only sentient beings in existence**





**Angels are often said to come to those who are the edge of losing their faith**



**Angels may comfort, encourage or warn us**



**The physical form of angels can vary – sometimes they are depicted as bathed in glorious light and at other times they are indistinguishable from ordinary people**



**Angels are usually considered to be androgynous!**



**Very few angels are individually named in the bible although they are divided into a hierarchy**



**Cherubim are generally considered 'angelic beings' and are not the plump winged babies depicted in classical paintings and sculpture!**



**They are God's record keepers and are responsible for carrying his throne throughout the heavens**



**The Seraphim are God's attendants – they have 6 wings and fly about God's throne exalting his Greatness – like an angelic hi-fi system with surround sound!**





**There are 9 rungs on the angelic ladder.  
Other angel orders include  
Thrones, Dominions, Virtues, Powers, Prin  
cipalities, and the top dogs - Archangels**



**Thrones bring justice according to God's  
law**



**Dominions organise the other angels a bit like project managers to make sure all the work needed, gets done**



**Virtues rain down blessings and help to  
worthy people on the earth**



**Powers keep the world in order and ensure that the demons do not take over – angelic police officers!**



**Principalities watch over all nations and attempt to advise and inspire the leaders to make wise and good decisions**



**At the top of the angelic pecking order are the Archangels such as Michael, Uriel, Raphael and Gabriel who are the intermediaries between the world of spirit and the world of man**



**The concept of a Guardian Angel assigned to protect an individual doesn't appear in the bible and seems to be a more modern concept**





**Angels are beings rather than Gods – they can make mistakes and perhaps one of the biggest boo-boos in angelic history was that made by Lucifer – God’s favourite winged being!**



**While his name means ‘Bringer of light’  
he became jealous of God’s power and  
tried to raise an angelic army against his  
boss...big mistake! He was cast out of  
heaven**



**Some have even gone as far as to suggest that angel sightings and alien visitations might be connected in some way!**



**It doesn't really matter whether or not  
angels ARE real – the fact that they  
remain such a persistent and powerful  
symbol tells us a lot about our longings  
and hopes for the world**



**Today you are most likely to find an 'angel' in a cemetery – tomb angels became popular in the 19<sup>th</sup> century, cast in bronze or plaster**







**Figures of ‘Victory angels’ are also found on columns all over Europe and we have one in Norwich**





