

## JULY, 2021

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From the beginning of the Bible to the end, from Genesis to Revelation, stories unfold about God's angels at work in God's creation, especially that of human beings. Though the Bible does not specifically speak of guardian angels, the idea is not completely foreign to its teachings. One of my favorite Bible verses reads, Psalm 91:11, *"For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways."* So yes, James Stewart, it is okay if Clarence Odbody played the part as your guardian angel in the movie, "It's a Wonderful Life".

If the truth be told, guardian angels come to us in many different shapes, and sizes, and colors, literally. It may be your friend at work, a stranger who was there for you during a difficult time, or your life mentor. But I cannot think of a better image of a guardian angel than a parent. Consider these Bible verses, Isaiah 66:13, "As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you..." Psalm 103:13, "As a father has compassion for his children, so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him."

Who is your guardian angel? Your parents or a special friend? Today is a great day to show your appreciation for your Guardian Angel. Maybe you can't thank them for all they have done, face to face, but pick up the phone and dial that number. Tell your guardian angel how much you appreciate their support and everything they have done for you.

Let's pray: It is me again God. As you know, my parents and friends are not perfect. In many ways, they are just like me. I say that with a smile, God. I guess we all have our stuff, a story to tell. I know you know what I'm talking about. But one thing is true; I do love my parents and friends, my guardian angels. Thank you, God, for my Guardian Angel. Help me to show my gratitude by saying those three words, "I love you!"

Blessings,  
Brett

### SERMONS FOR JULY:

- 4th "The Journey Toward Reconciliation"
- 11th "The Journey Toward Reconciliation, Part 2"
- 18th "The Journey Toward Reconciliation, Part 3"
- 25th "The Philippians Encore: Have This Same Mind"

Please remember the pandemic is not over. We have now reached 600,000 deaths in the USA. Now great concern among experts that this fall, there will be a COVID surge among those who have not been vaccinated; especially our school children. Practice social distancing and wear your mask; especially when you are in public buildings. Protect the vulnerable and our children.