



## YOUTH INSTRUCTION CLASS

### LESSON 4: OUR PROTECTING FATHER

#### Opening

- Explain some of the differences between the false teaching of evolution and the true teaching of Biblical creation.
- Why is it so important that Christians accept the doctrine of creation?
- What special relationship does God have with us who believe in Jesus? See Galatians 3:26 (460).

#### Bible History

God not only created the world, but He is active in **protecting** it. Like a father protects His children, God protects us who are His. There are many examples in the Bible of God actively protecting His people.



Daniel 6

**Listen** to the account of Daniel in the lion's den. Follow along in your Bibles.



*Why* was Daniel thrown into the lion's den?  
What did God do for His believing child Daniel?

How can we be sure that God is *able* to protect and help us?

Psalm 124:8 (460)

#### God Protects Us

God does not always protect us from danger in the same way. Write down two ways God can protect us:

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Psalm 59:1  
Exodus 2:1-10 (518)

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Romans 8:28 (521)  
Genesis 50:20 (522)

- How can the above ways of protection be illustrated in the "tornado coming toward the house" example?



Gas station in Fremont, MO. 1957.



Same building after tornado damage.

## God's "Secret Service"

The United States Secret Service is a highly trained police force that protects the president as well as other important people in our country. When God created heaven and earth, He also created special creatures to protect us. They are the \_\_\_\_\_. See Psalm 91:10-11 (517).

- Some of the angels turned against God. Led by Satan, these evil angels work against us and against God.

Revelation 12:7-9  
Jude 1:6

1 Peter 5:8-9

- Look at the chart to the right. How does the Bible describe the good angels who watch over us?
- Can you think of Bible stories involving angels?
- We do not need to fear the evil angels (2 Thessalonians 3:3).

### THE GOOD ANGELS . . .

Are spirits	_____
Serve Christians	_____
Serve God	_____
Are many	_____
Are strong	_____
Are holy	_____
Can be "guardian" angels	_____
Are not as strong as Jesus	_____

## Luther's Catechism

- Read, review, and understand the First Article of the Apostles' Creed along with Luther's explanation (p. 97).

A. Matthew 18:10  
B. Hebrews 1:14  
C. Acts 12:5-11  
D. 2 Kings 19:35  
E. Revelation 22:8-9  
F. Psalm 103:20-21  
G. Matthew 25:31  
H. Matthew 26:53