

What is the Hierarchy of Personal Beings?

1. What type of hierarchy currently exists among personal beings?

- a. Angelic spirit personal beings, God, Human personal beings.
- b. Angelic spirit personal beings, Human personal beings, Holy Spirit.
- c. God and Holy Spirit, Angelic spirit personal beings, Human personal beings.
- d. God incarnate, Angelic spirit personal beings, Human personal beings.

2. What type of hierarchy will exist when Christ returns?

- a. Angelic spirit personal beings, Divine personal beings (Triune God), Glorified Human personal beings.
- b. Angelic spirit personal beings, Glorified Human personal beings, Divine personal beings.
- c. Divine personal beings, Angelic spirit personal beings, Glorified Human personal beings.
- d. Divine personal beings, Glorified Human personal beings, Angelic spirit personal beings.

3. Is there a hierarchy among angels?

- a. Yes.
- b. No.

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Teacher note: Quizzes cover a lot of material. Take the time to help the student learn the biblical answer to each question and have fun along the way (i.e. you can be a game show host!). The online version of the quiz can be used as well. To learn more about these questions, consider this reference:

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1. What type of hierarchy currently exists among personal beings?

a. Angelic spirit personal beings, God, Human personal beings.

Sorry, that is incorrect. This question definitely caught you napping! If God created angels, would the Creator be of lower position than His Creation?

b. Angelic spirit personal beings, Human personal beings, Holy Spirit.

Sorry, that is incorrect. The Holy Spirit is part of the triune God; thus, He shares the same position of hierarchy as God.

c. God and Holy Spirit, Angelic spirit personal beings, Human personal beings.

Correct! The answer is "c"! There is a hierarchy among personal beings before and after Jesus' return. Before Christ's return, the hierarchy of personal beings is: 1) God and Holy Spirit, 2) angelic personal beings, and 3) human beings. This is seen in Hebrews 2:7 where it is said, in reference to humans, "for a little while lower than the angels."

d. God incarnate, Angelic spirit personal beings, Human personal beings.

Sorry, that is incorrect. This was a tricky option! The Incarnate God is the human being Jesus. The writer of Hebrews explicitly explains Jesus' position relative to angels and for a specific purpose: so that He can taste death for everyone!

But we do see Him who was made for a little while lower than the angels, namely, Jesus, because of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, so that by the grace of God He might taste death for everyone. (Heb 2:9, NASB)

2. What type of hierarchy will exist when Christ returns?

a. Angelic spirit personal beings, Divine personal beings (Triune God), Glorified Human personal beings.

Sorry, that is incorrect. Oops, caught you napping again! God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit always head the list!

b. Angelic spirit personal beings, Glorified Human personal beings, Divine personal beings.

Sorry, that is incorrect. Now you must be in a deep slumber! Do you really think God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit would be at the bottom??!!

c. Divine personal beings, Angelic spirit personal beings, Glorified Human personal beings.

Sorry, that is incorrect. The Bible is clear that glorified human beings will have more authority than angels. When salvation is complete, God will give glorified human beings the authority to judge them.

Do you not know that we will judge angels? ... (1 Cor 6:3, NASB)

While God considers human beings His people and saves them, He apparently does not save angels.

And angels who did not keep their own domain, but abandoned their proper abode, He has kept in eternal bonds under darkness for the judgment of the great day, (Jude 1:6, NASB)

For assuredly He does not give help to angels, but He gives help to the descendant of Abraham." (Heb 2:16, NASB)

d. Divine personal beings, Glorified Human personal beings, Angelic spirit personal beings.

Correct! The answer is "d"! After Christ's return, *redeemed* human beings take precedence over angelic personal beings (1 Cor 6:3, Heb 1:14); thus, the hierarchy of personal beings would be: 1) divine personal beings (Trinity), 2) glorified human beings, and 3) angelic personal beings.

3. Is there a hierarchy among angels?

a. Yes.

Correct! The answer is "a"! While it is not specified or explained, there is a hierarchy among angels. Called "archangel" (Jude 9) and "one of the chief princes" (Dan 10:13), the angel Michael exhibits some leadership and authority over other angels (Rev 12:7-8).

b. No.

Sorry, that is incorrect. The Bible clearly indicates a rank and order among angels. The angel Michael has the title of "archangel" and is mentioned in the Bible as a "chief prince" and a leader of angels (Jude 1:9; Dan 10:13, 21; Rev 12:7-8).