

Who Is The Divine Council?

- Ps.82
- They are called “sons of the Most High” 6
- They are not men. 7
- They are created beings, not immortal 7
- Ps.82 shows Yahweh taking His place in the divine council and condemning members of his divine council for not doing their job. They can sin.
- They are a council that are used by Yahweh in the administration of the affairs of the earth.

Who Are They?

- 1Kings 22:13-23, Dan.4:13,17,23a-24 – Yahweh decrees Kings need to be humbled, Watchers suggest, and carry out
- Dan.7:9-10,18. Thrones, plural, are placed
- They are not “Gods”. They are “gods”.
- Ps.89:5-7 – A comparison is made between the holy ones and Jehovah. Yahweh is one of a kind
- Ps.97:7 – Worship Him all you gods!

Divine Council

“How the cosmos is directed”

God’s loyal council:

1. Divine beings
2. Glorified (divinized, angelified) believers
 - Occasional duty / messengers
 - Awaiting the eschaton

Council members in rebellion (Dt 32, Psa 82)

- Elohim/she’im (geogr. term)
- “demons” & Pauline voc.



What Will Happen To Them?

- Ps.82:2-4,7 There was a rebellion among some of the members of the Divine council.
- Gen.6:1-4; 4:19-24
- 1Pet.3:18-20- Some have been imprisoned
- Isa.14:12-14 – Day Star, Son of the Dawn cast out
- Ezk.28:12-16- The Guardian Cherub
- Isa.24:21-22 –The host of heaven will be punished
- Isa.34:1-5 Judgment begins in Heaven and descends for judgment upon the people Rev.6:12-17

Jehovah Disinherits The Nations

- Gen.10 list of nations, 10:25 Peleg > division
- Gen.11:1-9 The people rebel against Jehovah
 - Refusing to spread out over the earth
 - Building a tower to worship a “god”
- Jehovah disperses 11:7-9
- Jehovah disinherits Deut.32:8
- He claims Jacob as his own vs9
- Reset with Abraham. Gen.12:1-3

Deuteronomy 32:8-9, 43 (ESV)



God Never Gives Up

- God has never forgotten the other nations
- Israel was to be a lighthouse nation to display the glory and grace of Jehovah, to draw the nations in.
- Instead, Israel was seduced by the other gods and Jehovah sent them into exile, but never forgot them.

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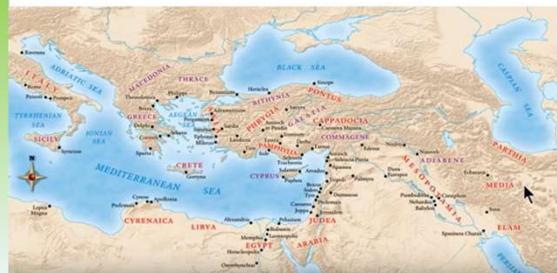
- Jhn.1:14; 29; the world, not just Israel
- Matt.28:18-20 God was redeeming the world
- Acts 2:1-12a; vs.3- Divided - Deut.32:8
- Acts 2:6- “bewildered” Gen.11:7 – “confuse”
- Luke is hinting at Divine infiltration, restoration

God Is On The Move

- John 4:39-43 Jesus reaching out to Samaria, apostate N. Israel
- Acts 2-8 At work in Jerusalem
- Acts 8- Christians were told to go into all the world. It took persecution to get them going
- Acts 8:26- Ethiopian Eunuch
- Acts 9 Conversion of Saul in Damascus 20-22
- Saul in Jerusalem then Tarsus -30

NT Cosmic Geography

• Acts 2 – Pentecost



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- Acts 9,10 – Joppa, Caesarea and the Gentiles
- 11 – Antioch
- 13 – Paul and Barnabas Cyprus
- 14 – Iconium, Lystra (Turkey)
- 16 – Derbe, Lystra, Macedonia (Greece),
- 17- Thessalonica, Berea, Athens
- 28 – Paul in Rome
- The 12 went from Spain to Ethiopia to India

Why Is This Important?

- The rebellion against Jehovah here on earth is being led by spiritual forces who have been in rebellion against Jehovah for 1000's of years.
- For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against ... the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Eph.6:12
- We need to watch and pray accordingly
- God is in the process of redeeming the nations
- We know the end of the Story!