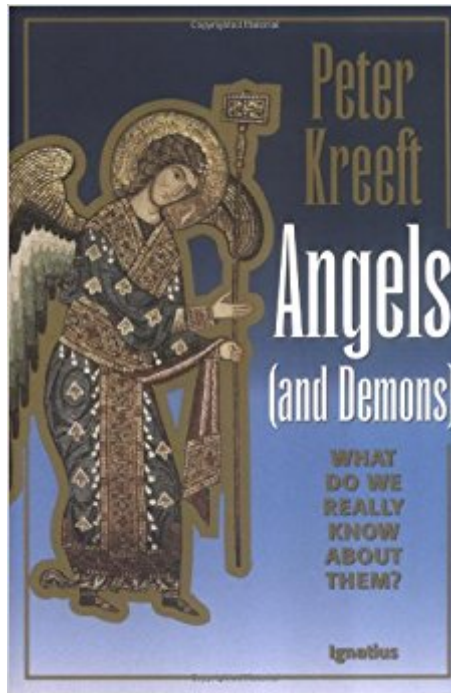




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Peter Kreeft, Ph.D., Professor of Philosophy at Boston College, is one of the most widely read Christian authors of our time. His many bestselling books cover a vast array of topics in spirituality, theology, and philosophy. They include *Practical Theology*, *Back to Virtue*, *Because God Is Real*, *You Can Understand the Bible*, *Angels and Demons*, *Heaven: The Heart's Deepest Longing*, and *A Summa of the Summa*.

The market is flooded with books on angels, many whimsical and speculative, others recounting meetings between angels and humans, and some even claiming to tell you how to talk to your angel. We have angel dictionaries and angel encyclopedia, books filled with great paintings, and others with personal angel art. This book is for those who want to ponder what Scripture tells us about angels, and what the great theologian, Thomas Aquinas, had to say about God's messengers as well. For those of us interested in the real root of the fascination, this is a treasure trove. Anyone can dream dreams of angels; anyone can make up stories about them. Anyone can draw his or her ideal winged guardian. But pondering the actual biblical passages that involve angels can be very surprising and inspiring, as this is where the real beginning of our understanding of angels resides. Like all Peter Kreeft's many books, this one is very readable. It's clear, concise, and will lead inevitably to the Bible itself. After all, that is where we first meet our angels, in the pages of the Old and New Testaments; and it may surprise readers to discover how much the Bible actually tells us about these mysterious and powerful creatures. I should add here that I find Thomas Aquinas endlessly fascinating, but difficult. And after reading Peter Kreeft's book, it was much easier for me to approach *The Summa Theologica* for the many intricate passages on angels bad and good. Peter Kreeft is a great teacher. This book captivates and instructs.

Being a firm believer in angels & demons I was keen to read this book to get a stronger theological basis to support my beliefs. Kreeft's book delivered it perfectly. The book is based around a series of 100 questions that people have asked him about the existence of angels and demons. Some are sincere but some ridiculous (eg, Can angels become cars?) but the hilarity of some only adds to the enjoyment in reading the book. Kreeft has obviously studied wide and varied to arrive at his well constructed responses. A very good reference book that anyone looking to better understand the supernatural world of angels and demons should read.

Found this book at my local library. I started reading it on a Sunday afternoon and expected to get

through maybe 10 pages. Well, I read it cover to cover. I found it to be so interesting that I could not put it down. The book is written in a Question/Answer format, which for this type of material was perfect. The answers are clear and concise and perfect in length. Each answer is complete, but doesn't go overboard in anyway. Short and to the point, leaving the reader comfortable with each answer, and in my case, 100% more informed. Sometimes authors can get too wrapped up in wordy answers. Not the case with Peter Kreeft. Each answer is understandable and perfect in length. I agree with other reviewers, today's culture and society has really skewed the facts about angels and what the bible has said about them. I wasn't looking for quotes from movies or ideas & fluff from fairy tales - I wanted real, factual answers and this book has them. I really liked Peter Kreeft's writing style and will be looking for more of his books in the future.

This book was my introduction to Peter Kreeft's writing. I had heard of him but had not read any of his works until I tried this book. I enjoyed this book and found it interesting and informative. Perhaps his writing style can sometimes be a bit tough to get through and his "jokes" can be somewhat silly. Apart from these minor gripes I recommend this book to anyone interested in the existence of angels and demons and how we have reached an understanding of these bodiless beings. Although the book is packed with pertinent information I do wish the book could have been longer.

So informative & interesting. Did not agree with everything the author wrote about the angels or the demons but I thought this book was different (which was one of the things I enjoyed)!

Everyone in the world should own *Angels and Demons: What Do We Really Know About Them?* You never quite put this book on a shelf - it seems to move around the house from room to room. I never lend mine! In the cover I have written, "I am sorry I cannot lend this book to you." We all know we have angels - Guardian Angels. As children we knew them and then we grew up and strayed far away from them - but they never left. As we grow older and are alone, we turn around one day and meet this angel who has always been with us - always, as from birth. Then suddenly we remember that angel we once knew, when we were just little babies; the angel who was in our room and always made us laugh when we awakened from a nap. The adventure begins all over again. Peter Kreeft teaches us what we can expect, and not expect, about our Guardian angel and we learn about all the different kinds of angels who have always existed. Don't miss this book. I buy it for all my friends!

If you have questions about how angels should fit into your Christian beliefs, then this book could be a useful addition to your bookshelf. It was an easy read, and it's organized in a question and answer format, for quick reference. As a non-Catholic, I don't think one would have to be Catholic to find items of interest within the text. However, the author's attempts at humor sometimes came off more condescending than what he probably intended. Not an earth-shattering read, but a useful breakdown of the topic.

Well written and insightful. A lot of interesting topics covered and truly everything you could want to know about Angels.

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