

A reading from the Book of Isaiah

For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth;
and the former things shall not be remembered
or come into mind.

But be glad and rejoice for ever in that I create;
for behold, I create Jerusalem a rejoicing,
and her people a joy.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and be glad in my people;
no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping
and the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant
that lives but a few days,
or an old man who does not fill out his days,
for the child shall die a hundred years old,
and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

The Word of the Lord.