8. Sirach 44:10-15 OT

A reading from the Book of Sirach

Now will I praise those godly people, our ancestors, each in their own time.

These were godly people whose virtues have not been forgotten; their wealth remains in their families, their heritage with their descendants; through God's covenant with them their family endures, their posterity, for their sake.

And for all time their family will endure, their glory will never be blotted out; their bodies are peacefully laid away, but their name lives on and on.

At gatherings their wisdom is retold, and the assembly proclaims their praise.

The Word of the Lord