

# Archangel Michael

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<sup>7</sup> And there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back.<sup>8</sup> But he was not strong enough, and they lost their place in heaven.<sup>9</sup> The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.

# Michael

- Your prince (Daniel 10:21)
- The great prince (Daniel 12:1)
- General of angels (Rev 12:7)
- Archangel (Jude 1:8)

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These dreamers pollute their own bodies, reject authority and slander glories (*doxas*). But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not dare to bring a slanderous accusation against him, but said, “The Lord rebuke you!” (Jude 1:8-9)

# Prince Michael

Fear not, Daniel... your words have been heard, and I have come because of your words. The prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days, but Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me... there is none who contends by my side against these except Michael, your prince. (Daniel 10:12-13, 21)

# Sons and peoples

When the Most High gave the nations their inheritance, when he divided mankind, he fixed the borders of the peoples according to the number of the sons of God. But Yahweh's portion is his people. (Deuteronomy 32:8-9)

# Watchers

Behold, a watcher, a holy one, came down from heaven... The sentence is by the decree of the watchers, the decision by the word of the holy ones, to the end that the living may know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will. (Daniel 4:13, 17)

# War in heaven

There was war in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon, and the dragon and his angels fought back....

And the great dragon was thrown down, the ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan. (Revelation 12:7-9)

# Great prince

At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered. (Daniel 12:1)

# Deliverance

Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever. (Daniel 12:2-3)

# Jesus' return

They will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. (Matthew 24:30-31)

# Announcer

The Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. (1 Th 4:16)

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# So what?

- We have friends in high places.
- God sends help when we pray.
- War is fierce, but victory is sure.
- Michael is too strong for Satan.
- Jesus infinitely surpasses Michael.
- Get ready for a glorious future!