

A reading from the Book of the Prophet Daniel

**In those days, I, Daniel, mourned
and heard this word of the Lord:**

**At that time there shall arise
Michael, the great prince,
guardian of your people;**

**It shall be a time unsurpassed in distress
since nations began until that time.**

**At that time your people shall escape,
everyone who is found written in the book.**

**Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake;
Some shall live forever,
others shall be an everlasting horror and disgrace.**

**But the wise shall shine brightly
like the splendor of the firmament,
And those who lead the many to justice
shall be like the stars forever.**

The word of the Lord.