

## **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**