

Old Testament

A reading from the book of the prophet Daniel

12:1-3

[I, Daniel, mourned and I 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