A reading from the book of the prophet Daniel

(I, Daniel, mourned and I hear 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 to everlasting life,
others to reproach and everlasting disgrace.

But those with insight 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