

READINGS FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

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Reading

Isaiah 11:1-4a

On him the spirit of the Lord rests.

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

- ¹ A shoot springs from the stock of Jesse,
a scion thrusts from his roots:
- ² on him the spirit of the Lord rests,
a spirit of wisdom and insight,
a spirit of counsel and power,
a spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.
The fear of the Lord is his breath.
- ³ He does not judge by appearances,
he gives no verdict on hearsay,
- ⁴ but judges the wretched with integrity,
and with equity gives a verdict for the poor of the land.
- The word of the Lord.