

## Genesis 32:22-31

<sup>22</sup>The same night [Jacob] got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. <sup>23</sup>He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. <sup>24</sup>Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. <sup>25</sup>When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. <sup>26</sup>Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." <sup>27</sup>So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." <sup>28</sup>Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." <sup>29</sup>Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. <sup>30</sup>So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." <sup>31</sup>The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

## Psalms 121

<sup>1</sup>I lift up my eyes to the hills — from where will my help come?

<sup>2</sup>My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

<sup>3</sup>He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

<sup>4</sup>He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

<sup>5</sup>The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

<sup>6</sup>The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

<sup>7</sup>The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.

<sup>8</sup>The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.

## Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.

<sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor

had respect for people. <sup>3</sup>In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him

and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused; but later he

said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup>yet because

this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out

by continually coming.' <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And

will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay

long in helping them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the

Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"