

Question for Reflection

In the Gospel of John, Peter declares to Jesus, “You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God” (John 6:68-69). Are “believing” and “knowing” the same action? How does knowing something intensify our believing something?

For Your Study and Reflection This Week **14th Sunday after Pentecost**

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

“Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living, but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.” (v. 15)

Psalm 34:15-22

The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous,
and his ears are open to their cry.

The face of the LORD is against evildoers,
to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth. (vv. 15-16)

Ephesians 6:10-20

Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on the evil day and, having prevailed against everything, to stand firm. Stand, therefore, and belt your waist with truth and put on the breastplate of righteousness. (vv. 13-14)

John 6:56-69

“Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which the ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” (vv. 56-58)

TWO-YEAR DAILY LECTIONARY

Year 2 • Proper 16

Week of the Sunday closest to August 24

Sunday, August 25, 2024

Psalms 146, 147 (*morning*)
Job 4:1-6, 12-21
Rev. 4:1-11
Mark 6:1-6a
Psalms 111, 112, 113 (*evening*)

Monday, August 26, 2024

Psalms 1, 2, 3 (*morning*)
Job 4:1; 5:1-11, 17-21, 26-27
Acts 9:19b-31
John 6:52-59
Psalms 4, 7 (*evening*)

Tuesday, August 27, 2024

Psalms 5, 6 (*morning*)
Job 6:1-4, 8-15, 21
Acts 9:32-43
John 6:60-71
Psalms 10, 11 (*evening*)

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

Psalms 119:1-24 (*morning*)
Job 6:1; 7:1-21
Acts 10:1-16
John 7:1-13
Psalms 12, 13, 14 (*evening*)

Thursday, August 29, 2024

Psalms 18:1-20 (*morning*)
Job 8:1-10, 20-22
Acts 10:17-33
John 7:14-36
Psalm 18:21-50 (*evening*)

Friday, August 30, 2024

Psalms 16, 17 (*morning*)
Job 9:1-15, 32-35
Acts 10:34-48
John 7:37-52
Psalm 22 (*evening*)

Saturday, August 31, 2024

Psalms 20, 21:1-7 (8-14) (*morning*)
Job 9:1; 10:1-9, 16-22
Acts 11:1-18
John 8:12-20
Psalm 110:1-5 (6-7), 116, 117 (*evening*)

Sunday, September 1, 2024

Psalms 148, 149, 150 (*morning*)
Job 11:1-9, 13-20
Rev. 5:1-14
Matt. 5:1-12
Psalms 114, 115 (*evening*)

Household Prayer: Morning

Living God,
give me strength for this day.
Let your truth surround me,
your righteousness defend me,
your gospel guide me,
your trustworthiness shield me,
and your salvation protect me,
that in every trial I may stand by the power of your Spirit
and live by your holy Word. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Loving God,
as the day ends and the night begins
be near the brokenhearted,
save the crushed in spirit,
and redeem the life of your servants.
You are our shield by day.
Be our refuge by night
so that we may rest in the confidence of your grace;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.