

Daily Morning Message

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Daily Lectionary Readings *Psalm 121*
Exodus 13:1-10
Matthew 21:18-22

Today's Scripture Verse: *Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive. (Matthew 21:22)*

What it means: Jesus has just caused a fig tree to wilt, because it would not provide figs for him to eat, then given his disciples the image of moving a mountain through the force of prayer. Wonders indeed, and, if taken literally, perhaps a little hyperbole. Still, it is the phrase "with faith" that is important in this teaching. Prayer with faith is not for our personal desires but for God's will to ultimately prevail.

Our time of prayer: God, we remember that Jesus' prayed, "Your will be done." May this also be our prayer, and may we see in it our blessing.

