

Thoughts on the Daily Word

26th Week of the Year. *Wednesday 2nd October. Readings: Job 9:1-13,14-16; Psalm: 87; Gospel: Luke 9:57-62.*

The Gospel of Luke begins the journey to Jerusalem which will lead to death and resurrection and the founding of the new Israel, the Church. It has the implications of a new Exodus journey. Once again God says not to turn back or be attracted by the old attachments. It is a radical call to every disciple. As we will see in the journey of Jesus and his disciples it is a journey of faith just like our life journey. Unless we see our lives as a journey of faith, an Exodus journey, then we will constantly be drawn backwards or even fall away. Job is undergoing his own journey of faith and struggling with how to understand just what God is up to. The book reveals no simple answers but a lifetime of questions and faithfulness to this amazing God who holds everything in the palm of his hand and who loves us too much to abandon us. Scripture reveals not a series of rules or laws but a love story between God and his Creation and the epitome of his Creation, humankind.