Judges 6:36-40

³⁶ So Gideon said to God, "If You will save Israel by my hand as You have said—³⁷ look, I shall put a fleece of wool on the threshing floor; if there is dew on the fleece only, and it is dry on all the ground, then I shall know that You will save Israel by my hand, as You have said." ³⁸ And it was so. When he rose early the next morning and squeezed the fleece together, he wrung the dew out of the fleece, a bowlful of water. ³⁹ Then Gideon said to God, "Do not be angry with me, but let me speak just once more: Let me test, I pray, just once more with the fleece; let it now be dry only on the fleece, but on all the ground let there be dew." 40 And God did so that night. It was dry on the fleece only, but there was dew on all the ground.

Ephesians 2:19-22

¹⁹Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief corner*stone*, ²¹in whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, ²²in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

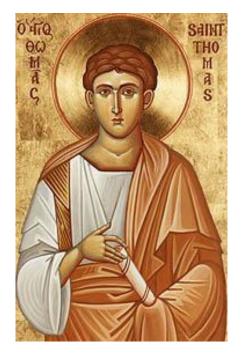
John 20:24-31

²⁴Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the

nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." ²⁶And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" ²⁷Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand *here*, and put *it* into My side. Do not be

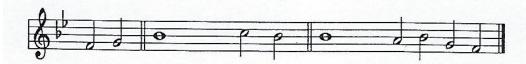
unbelieving, but believing." ²⁸And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed *are* those who have not seen and *yet* have believed."

³⁰And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.



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PSALM 101



Introit.

Ant. I KNOW | Whom I have be- | liev- | ed:

and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which I have committed unto Him | a- | gainst | that | day.

|| There is laid up for me a crown of | righteous- | ness:

which the Lord, the righteous | Judge, | shall | give | me.

Psalm. O Lord, Thou hast searched me and | known | me:

Thou knowest my downsitting and | mine | up- | ris- | ing.

GLO-RY || be to the Father and to the | Son | -:

and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost.

AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be: world with- | out | end. | A- | men. (Ant. Repeated.)

Collect.

Grant, O Lord, unto Thy people at steadfastness in faith, that we might not be shaken by the doubts of the flesh, but ever be established in an unshakable hope in Christ Jesus, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. Amen.

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