

July 19, 2008  
Saturday of the Fifteenth Week in Ordinary Time

Readings of the day may be found on the following link:

<http://www.nccbuscc.org/nab>

Micah 2:1-5

Psalms 10:1-2, 3-4, 7-8, 14

Matthew 12:14-21

*And in his name the Gentiles will hope.*

I am sure I have mentioned before that I read a definition of hope from a source I cannot remember that said that hope is believing that God is in all things, even the things that seem most impossible. I repeat this definition because it reminds me that the way of God is not my way and that I cannot hope without trust. To trust that God is God and desires all good for each of us is the ultimate faith and makes hope possible.

*Remember this. When people choose to withdraw far from a fire, the fire continues to give warmth, but they grow cold. When people choose to withdraw far from light, the light continues to be bright in itself but they are in darkness. This is also the case when people withdraw from God.*

~Augustine ☐ ☐