

Journeying mercies through this season,

The Worship Planning Team,

JBUC MEDITATION PRACTICE

~ Week Three

The journey to a place of rest may be rigorous.

We may be holding onto something that has us in its grip (eg. anger, resentment, fear, regret, a belief or story we've told ourselves). And our freedom lies in wrestling with it, coming face to face, to see a hidden truth. In the story of Jacob wrestling with the

mysterious presence, [Genesis 32: 13-31] he insists on being given a blessing before he will to let go. As though there is some blessing yet to be extracted before the wrestling is finished.

## Ancient Word:

## "I will not let you go until you bless me"

- How do these rich and ancient words rise up to meet you in your life in this particular moment?
- Invite / allow these words to echo in the chambers of your heart, your mind, your soul.
- Carry these words with you throughout the day and even into your night, allowing them to seep deeply into you and become part of your very being.

We turn to old words because sometimes it is old words that hold the deepest comfort and the deepest challenge - Padriag O' Tuma