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# Encounters with Christ

Jesus Wrestles Jacob

Genesis 32:22-32

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- A person wearing a white robe, seen from the side, with their hands held out in a gesture of offering or prayer. The background is a solid blue color.
1. Jacob was **Afraid**
  2. Jacob was a **Wrestler**



3. Jacob was a **Scoundrel**

a. Jacob's name means: **'Heel Grabber'**

b. Jacob's name means: **'Deceiver'**



4. Jacob **Encounters Christ**

a. We know this is **God**

b. We know this is **Jesus**

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# ① Wrestling with Jesus is Personal

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- A person wearing a white robe, seen from the side, with their hands held out in a gesture of offering or prayer. The image is overlaid with a blue tint.
1. We Wrestle **One on One**
  2. We Wrestle **Alone**

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# ② Wrestling with Jesus is a Struggle

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- A person wearing a white robe, seen from the side, with their hands held out in a gesture of offering or prayer. The background is a solid blue color.
1. God is the **Aggressor**
  2. God **Limits Himself**
  3. God **lets us ware Ourselves Out**

A person wearing a white robe is shown from the chest up, with their right hand held open and palm facing up. The background is a bright, hazy sky with soft clouds. The overall tone is peaceful and spiritual.

# ③ Wrestling with Jesus is Painful

# 1. **Physically** Painful

“Pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our consciences, but shouts in our pains. It is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world.” (CS Lewis)



## 2. **Spiritually** Painful

a. Jacob **Clings to God**

b. Jacob **asks for God's Blessing**

c. Jacob **Confesses**

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# ④ Wrestling with Jesus is Transformative

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- A person wearing a white robe, seen from the side, with their hands held out in a gesture of offering or blessing. The background is a solid blue color.
1. A New **Name**
  2. A New **Blessing**
  3. A New **Place**
  4. A New **Limp**

A person with long dark hair, wearing a white robe, is shown from the chest up. Their hands are held out in front of them, palms up, in a gesture of offering or prayer. The background is a warm, orange-brown gradient.

# Who Won the Match?



Jesus



Jacob

# ⑤ Jesus is Still a Wrestler

