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²⁸That Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, ²⁹for our "God is a consuming fire."

Hebrews 12:28,29

²²That night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maidservants and his eleven sons and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³After he had sent them across the stream, he sent over all his possessions. ²⁴So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak. [Genesis 32:22-24](#)

²⁵ When the man saw that he could not overpower him, he touched the socket of Jacob's hip so that his hip was wrenched as he wrestled with the man.

²⁶ Then the man said, "Let me go, for it is daybreak." But Jacob replied, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷ The man asked him, "What is your name?"

Genesis 32:25-27

"Jacob," he answered. ²⁸ Then the man said, "Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with men and have overcome." ²⁹ Jacob said, "Please tell me your name." But he replied, "Why do you ask my name?" Then he blessed him there.

Genesis 32:27-29

³⁰ So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "It is because I saw God face to face, and yet my life was spared." ³¹ The sun rose above him as he passed Peniel, and he was limping because of his hip. ³² Therefore to this day the Israelites do not eat the tendon attached to the socket of the hip, because the socket of Jacob's hip was touched near the tendon.

Genesis 32:30-32



One day when Jacob was cooking some stew, Esau arrived home from the wilderness exhausted and hungry. ³⁰ Esau said to Jacob, "I'm starved! Give me some of that red stew!" (This is how Esau got his other name, Edom, which means "red.") ³¹ "All right," Jacob replied, "but trade me your rights as the firstborn son."

Genesis 25:29-31

32 "Look, I'm dying of starvation!" said Esau. "What good is my birthright to me now?" 33 But Jacob said, "First you must swear that your birthright is mine." So Esau swore an oath, thereby selling all his rights as the firstborn to his brother, Jacob.

Genesis 25:32,33



³⁰ After Isaac finished blessing him, and Jacob had scarcely left his father's presence, his brother Esau came in from hunting. ³¹ He too prepared some tasty food and brought it to his father. Then he said to him, "My father, please sit up and eat some of my game, so that you may give me your blessing." ³² His father Isaac asked him, "Who are you?" "I am your son," he answered, "your firstborn, Esau."

Genesis 27:30-32

33 Isaac began to tremble uncontrollably and said, "... I blessed him just before you came. And yes, that blessing must stand!"

Genesis 27:33



"In great fear and distress, Jacob divided the people who were with him into two groups, thinking if Esau comes and attacks one group, the other will escape."

Genesis 32:7

... he selected these gifts from his possessions to present to his brother, Esau: ¹⁴ 200 female goats, 20 male goats, 200 ewes, 20 rams, ¹⁵ 30 female camels with their young, 40 cows, 10 bulls, 20 female donkeys, and 10 male donkeys. [Gen 32:13-15](#)

During the night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two servant wives, and his eleven sons and crossed the Jabbok River with them. ²³ After taking them to the other side, he sent over all his possessions. [Genesis 32:22,23](#)

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camp, ...

Genesis 32:24

This left Jacob all alone in the camp,
...and a man came and wrestled with
him until the dawn began to break.

Genesis 32:24

25 When the man saw that he would not win the match, he touched Jacob's hip and wrenched it out of its socket.

Genesis 32:25

26 ...the man said, "Let me go, for
the dawn is breaking!"

Genesis 32:26

25 When the man saw that he would not win the match, he touched Jacob's hip and wrenched it out of its socket.

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26 ...the man said, "Let me go, for the dawn is breaking!" 27 But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." [Genesis 32:26,27](#)

29 "Please tell me your name," Jacob said. "Why do you want to know my name?" the man replied.

Genesis 32:29

30 Jacob named the place Peniel
(which means "face of God"), for he
said, "I have seen God face to face,
yet my life has been spared."

Genesis 32:30



He had a dream in which he saw a stairway resting on the earth, with its top reaching to heaven, and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. ¹³ There above it stood the Lord, and he said: "I am the Lord, the God of your father Abraham and the God of Isaac. I will give you and your descendants the land on which you are lying.

Genesis 28:12-13

¹⁴ Your descendants will be like the dust of the earth, and you will spread out to the west and to the east, to the north and to the south. All peoples on earth will be blessed through you and your offspring. ¹⁵ I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you."

Genesis 28:14,15



13 You will seek Me and find Me,
when you seek Me with all your
heart.

Jeremiah 29:13

"So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened."

Luke 11:9



Blessed are all who fear the Lord,
who walk in obedience to him.

Psalm 128:1



28 "Your name will no longer be Jacob," the man told him. "From now on you will be called Israel, because you have fought with God and with men and have won." **Genesis 32:28**

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