

## **You Will Know Him After While**

<sup>21</sup> So went the present over before him: and himself lodged that night in the company.

- A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath, Proverbs 21:14,
- "Bless those that curse you" Luke 6:28
- "Leave thy gift at the Alter (and give a gift ) and go make it right with thy brother, Mathew 5:24
- "See a brother overtaken in a fault" Go to that person in the spirit of meekness, Galatians 6: 1
- "Remove the mote that is in thy brothers eye take out the plank", Mathew 7:5

<sup>22</sup> And he rose up that night, and took his two wives, and his two women servants, and his eleven sons, and passed over the ford Jabbok.

- The grievance he has with his brother does not prohibit him from doing the will of the Father.
- What grievance do we have with people that prohibits us from getting involved?

<sup>23</sup> And he took them, and sent them over the brook, and sent over that he had.

- Jacob does not want the confrontation but demonstrates trust in the instruction God has given him and risk it all and send over all that were dear to him.

<sup>24</sup> And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestled a man with him until the breaking of the day.

- Before face to face with Esau whom he wronged he must be face to face with God.
- While Jacob seeks to pray and beseech his God a man or Angel confronts him and instinctively he wrestles.

1 Corinthians 13:12 King James Version (KJV)

<sup>12</sup> For now we see through a glass (mirror), darkly; but then face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also I am known.

### **James 1:23-24**

For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: [24](#) For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.

<sup>25</sup> And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him.

- This match is with little conversation but Jacob had to relinquish completely rely on God to prevail over the wrestling match with the Angel.
- Jacob relying in Gods strength prevails and refuses to let go.

<sup>26</sup> And he said, let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.

- Jacob said this match, my wrestling's are for a blessing!
- The day was breaking and the time to move on had come - weeping endureth for a night"

<sup>27</sup> And he said unto him, What is thy name? And he said, Jacob.

- His name is changed to Israel and the Angel touches his thigh so that every step he will take for the rest of his life will remind him of this encounter!

<sup>28</sup> And he said, Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.

- Could God be speaking to "New Testament believers after the wrestling the blessing" We wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities against powers against the rulers of darkness of this present age, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

<sup>29</sup> And Jacob asked him, and said, tell me, I pray thee, thy name. And he said, wherefore is it that thou dost ask after my name? And he blessed him there.

- "Have I been with you this long and you ask shew me the Father'

<sup>30</sup> And Jacob called the name of the place Penile: for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved.

- "I saw me by looking at God and now my life will certainly be"

<sup>31</sup> And as he passed over Penuel the sun rose upon him, and he halted upon his thigh.

- Now he is ready to pass over, he is transitioning, no longer the propensity to be Jacob but Israel. " A prince among people"

<sup>32</sup> Therefore the children of Israel eat not of the sinew which shrank, which is upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this day: because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the sinew that shrank.

- "Plain in simple, we all have to get alone and wrestle with God for ourselves"