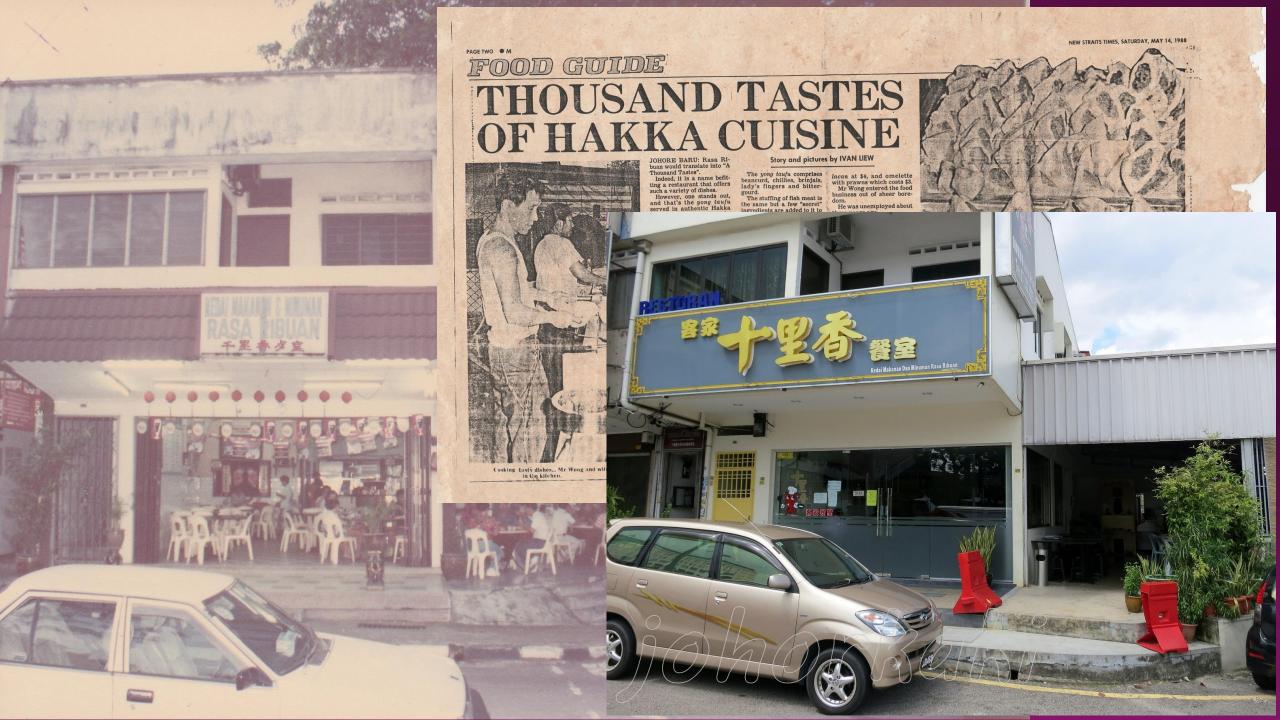
Genesis 32, 33

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Genesis 32

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

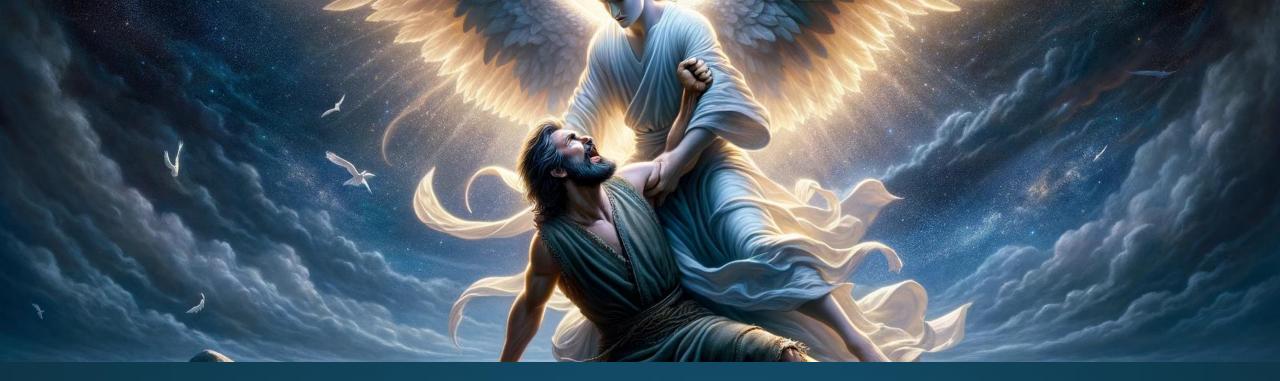
29 Jacob said, "Please tell me your name."
But he replied, "Why do you ask my name?"
Then he blessed him there.

30 So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "It is because I saw God face to face, and yet my life was spared."

Genesis 33

- 1 Jacob looked up and there was Esau, coming with his four hundred men; so he divided the children among Leah, Rachel and the two maidservants. ² He put the maidservants and their children in front, Leah and her children next, and Rachel and Joseph in the rear.
- 3 He himself went on ahead and bowed down to the ground seven times as he approached his brother.
- 4 But Esau ran to meet Jacob and embraced him; he threw his arms around his neck and kissed him. And they wept.

- 5 Then Esau looked up and saw the women and children. "Who are these with you?" he asked. Jacob answered, "They are the children God has graciously given your servant."
- 6 Then the maidservants and their children approached and bowed down. ⁷ Next, Leah and her children came and bowed down. Last of all came Joseph and Rachel, and they too bowed down.
- 8 Esau asked, "What's the meaning of all these flocks and herds I met?" "To find favour in your eyes, my lord," he said.
- 9 But Esau said, "I already have plenty, my brother. Keep what you have for yourself."
- 10 "No, please!" said Jacob. "If I have found favour in your eyes, accept this gift from me. For to see your face is like seeing the face of God, now that you have received me favorably.
- 11 Please accept the present that was brought to you, for God has been gracious to me and I have all I need." And because Jacob insisted, Esau accepted it.



Reparation

Gen 32:1-23

Redefinition

Gen 32:24-33

Reconciliation

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Reparation

31:1, "..the *angels* of God met him..

@Mahanaim." - meaning "2
camps."

Jacob sent *messengers* ahead

"Esau is coming with 400 men"

v7 "In great fear and distress Jacob divided the people who were with him into two groups



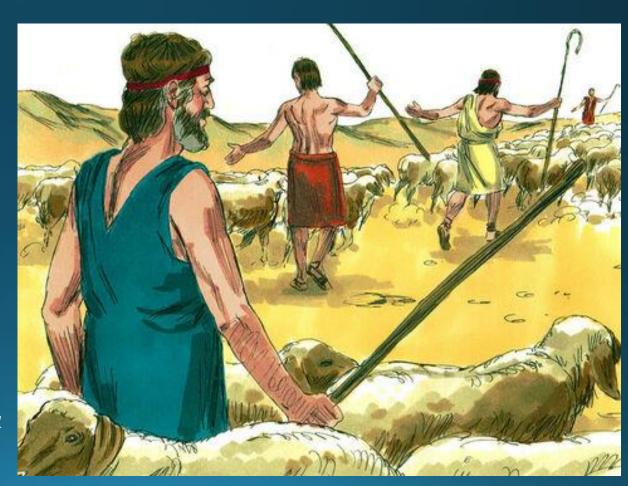
Reparation

9-11, Then <u>Jacob prayed</u>, "O <u>God of my</u> father Abraham, God of my father Isaac,

- The LORD asked him to go back
- The LORD promised to prosper him even when he is unworthy
- "save me, I pray..."
- & he claimed the Abrahamic promise

13-21, ...he selected a gift & he sent them ahead be sure to say, "Your servant Jacob is coming behind us."

22- 23, - "That night".. <u>He took</u> his family & his possessions to a safer place.



Redefinition



32:24,"So, Jacob was left alone, a man wrestled with him till daybreak.

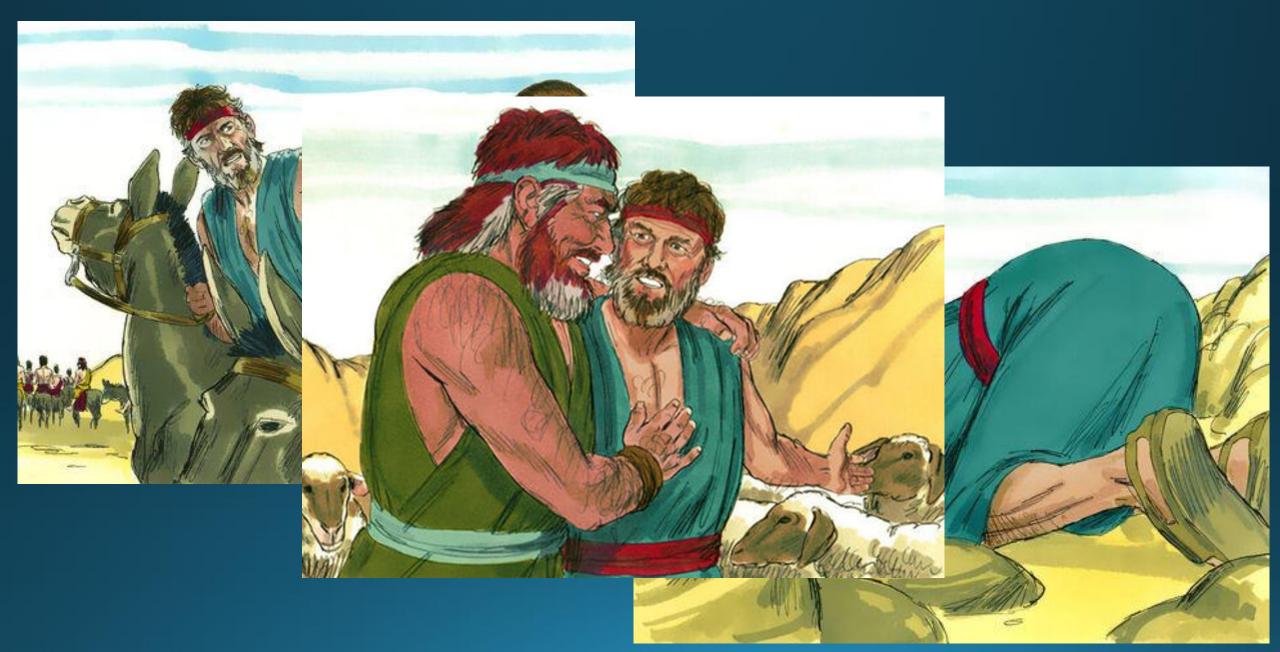
25-26, - Jacob would not let go even when his hip was wrenched unless he was blessed.

Redefinition



32:29-32, - The LORD blessed him. Jacob called the place Peniel (face of God). He was limping henceforth.

Reconciliation



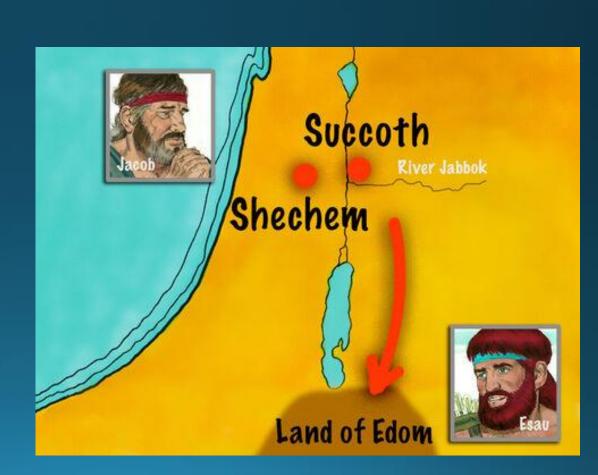
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- "Your servant" 32:4, 18, 20; 33:5, 14
- "My lord" 32:4, 5, 18; 33:8, 13, 14,15
- "I may find favour..." 32: 5; 33:10, 15
- "to see your face is like seeing the face of God.." 33:10

33:11, "...*present*.." = Hebrew "*blessing*"

v12 Esau invited Jacob to return with him.

33:20, "..set up an altar and called it El Elohe Israel" = "God, the God of Israel"



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- from taking to giving with restitution & repentance
- from limping to blessing with a new Name
- from wanting to be the first to willing to be the last with humility

From Manipulating to Surrendering

Ordinary yet Extraordinary

Natural yet Supernatural

Everyday affair under the Ever-present Lord



JOHN 16:33 TAKE HEART, I HAVE OVERCOME THE WORLD.