



OLD TESTAMENT ENCOUNTERS

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When you have an encounter with God, you walk away different.

Someone walked away with a limp after their wrestling match with God.

Sometimes, God _____ us so that he can
_____ us and _____ us.

"I will soon be mourning my father's death. Then I will **kill my brother**, Jacob." *Genesis 27:41*

"We met your brother, Esau, and he is already on his way to meet you—**with an army of 400 men!**" Jacob was **terrified** at the news.
Genesis 32:6-7

"O Lord, please rescue me from the hand of my brother, Esau. I am afraid that he is coming to attack me, along with my wives and children. But you **promised** me, '**I will surely treat you kindly.**'" *Genesis 32:11-12*

This left Jacob all alone in the camp, and a man came and **wrestled** with him until the dawn began to break. When the man saw that he would not win the match, he **touched Jacob's hip** and **wrenched** it out of its socket. Then the man said, "Let me go, for the dawn is breaking!" But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you **bless me.**" *Genesis 32:24-26*

"Please tell me your name," Jacob said. "Why do you want to know my name?" the man replied. Then he blessed Jacob there. *Genesis 32:29*

What do we do with our wound?

Realize it's not about the _____ or the
_____. It's about the _____.

1. _____ yourself.

Then Jacob went on ahead. As he approached his brother, he bowed to the ground seven times before him. *Genesis 33:3*

2. Replace _____ with _____.

"Please take this gift I have brought for you, for God has been very gracious to me. I have more than enough." *Genesis 33:11*

"*You can't be fearful and grateful in the same moment.*" — Tom Ryan

3. _____ your new _____.

That's why I take **pleasure** in my **weaknesses**, and in the insults, hardships, persecutions, and troubles that I suffer for Christ. For **when I am weak**, then **I am strong**. *2 Corinthians 12:10*

Fill-ins:
wounds, bless, change
wrestling, wound, response
Humble
fear, gratitude
Own, identity