

Genesis 32:22-31 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

## Jacob Wrestles at Peniel

**22** The same night he got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. **23** He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. **24** Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. **25** When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. **26** Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." **27** So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." **28** Then the man<sup>[a]</sup> said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel,<sup>[b]</sup> for you have striven with God and with humans,<sup>[c]</sup> and have prevailed." **29** Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. **30** So Jacob called the place Peniel,<sup>[d]</sup> saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." **31** The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

### Footnotes:

- a. [Genesis 32:28](#) Heb *he*
- b. [Genesis 32:28](#) That is *The one who strives with God* or *God strives*
- c. [Genesis 32:28](#) Or *with divine and human beings*
- d. [Genesis 32:30](#) That is *The face of God*

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