

READ IT

This week's Bible story is

Jacob Wrestles

from Genesis 32:22-31.

Jacob wrestles a divine being, is injured, blessed, and renamed.

Ask each other what you remember about:

- Jacob
- Israel
- Prevail
- Bless
- Peniel

An etiological tale is a tale that explains the origins of someplace or something.

Read the whole story together in the Bible!

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Family Prayer

Lord God, you engage us whether we invite you or not. Thank you for being willing to wrestle with us. Please help us open ourselves to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

TALK ABOUT IT



Family Conversations

- 1 What's it like to wrestle with someone stronger than you?
- 2 What would Jacob have gained in learning the stranger's name?
- 3 What are some ways you have wrestled with God?
- 4 What would you rename each other? What meaning would you assign the names?



Eye Spark

Look for God in the faces you encounter this week.



Ear Spark

Listen for names you've never heard before or don't hear very often.

LIVE IT

For families to do together

Take turns pairing up for arm wrestling. Stronger family members should take care to allow younger members to struggle for a while.

For younger kids

Offer to rub the hands and shoulders of a parent.

For older kids

Find out what happens when a hip is put out-of-socket. Can it be cured? How?



All Kids, Jacob Wrestles Family Page.

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