

# Knowing God Requires Walking with a Limp

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Very few people have seen God face to face. (Enoch?, Moses, Jacob)

- Jacob = fighter, supplanter, supplanter, schemer

**Genesis 25:21-26** "Jacob's wife Rebekah became pregnant. The babies jostled each other within her..."

- When you are about to birth something in the Spirit, expect conflict in the womb
- Jacob steals the birthright.

**Genesis 27:1-36**

- Jacob steals his father's blessing.

**1. If you want to know God you have to stop trying to \_\_\_\_\_**

- It's not enough to want what God wants, we have to stop trying to accomplish his will in OUR OWN STRENGTH.

**2. If you want to know God you have to stop rushing his \_\_\_\_\_**

- One of the greatest tests we have to pass as Christians is the test of time.
- Jacob was 77 when he stole his father's blessing and had to wait 20 more years before he could receive God's blessing.

**Genesis 32:22-31**

**3. If you want to know God you need a \_\_\_\_\_ faith that won't \_\_\_\_\_**

- Israel - compound word Hebrew Sarah (fight, struggle, rule) and el (God) = God rules
- When you wrestle with God, the only way to win is to lose = surrender.

**4. If you want to know God it requires \_\_\_\_\_**

**5. If you want to know God you have to walk with a \_\_\_\_\_,**

- Jacob's limp was a constant reminder of who won every step he took.
- We need to limp, because when we limp, we LEAN.

**FOLLOW NTC IN THE BIBLE APP** **Read Together!**

Follow New Testament Church in the Bible App and join each other in your daily bible reading.

**NEXT STEPS** **Today During the Message** Learn more about our church and how to get connected. Whether you have taken week 1 or not you can jump in today for week 2 in Classroom 1.

**SHORT TERM MISSIONS TRIPS in 2024** We will be sending a ladies team to NYC on May 17-19 and a team to Cali, Colombia later this summer. For more information see Julie Cardinal or visit [ntcfamily.com](http://ntcfamily.com)

**this week...**

**CROSS CURRENT** **Tonight at 6pm** Our 7th-12th graders gather weekly to connect and grow spiritually.

**BRIDGE** **Thursday at 6pm** 5th-7th graders gather every other week for games and lesson just for them.

**PRAYER NIGHT** **Friday at 7pm** Let's kick off 2024 right and pray together. We will also be praying in Ogdenburg at Thursday at 7pm

**UNITY SERVICE** **Next Sunday at 3pm at St. John's Episcopal** Gather with other Christians in our community to worship together!

**coming up...**

**OPEN WORSHIP PRACTICE** **January 23rd at 7pm** Our If you are interested in joining our Worship Team, Chorus, or Production team then join us for one of our monthly open worship practices.

**WEDNESDAY CLASSES** **Next Semester starts January 31st** We will be offering **Financial Peace University** and **A Survey of the New Testament**. Take control of your finances and find financial freedom or dive into the 27 books of the NT and learn more about the background and message of each book. Register on ChurchCenter or our website.

**RESTORE WEEKEND** **February 2nd & 3rd** Find freedom from life's hurts through our inner healing ministry. The weekend will consist of a Friday night and Saturday day with a lite breakfast and lunch provided on Saturday. Register now on ChurchCenter or our website.

**MARRIAGE MATTERS NIGHT** **February 9th at 7pm** Our Marriage Matters team is hosting a fun night for you and your spouse over dessert, music, a panel discussion, and some fun activities. Sign up through the ChurchCenter App or on our website.

**BETTERMAN GROUP** **Starts February 13th at 7pm** Connect and grow with other men for this 11 week group on Tuesday nights starting in February.

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