

GREAT SINNER, GREAT SAVIOR

(09/24/2017; Genesis 29:31-33:20; Steve Thiel; Christ Proclamation Church)

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2. The Blessing of God
3. The Final Conflict With Laban

C. Wrestling With Esau – (32:1-21)

1. The Fear of Jacob
2. The Prayer of Jacob
3. The Offer of Jacob

II. WRESTLING WITH GOD – (Gen. 32:22-32)

A. Conflict With God – (32:22-26)

B. Confrontation on Sin – (32:27)

1. God asks, “*What is your name?*”
2. Jacob answers, “*My name is Deceiver!*”

C. Confirmation of Salvation – (32:28-32)

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