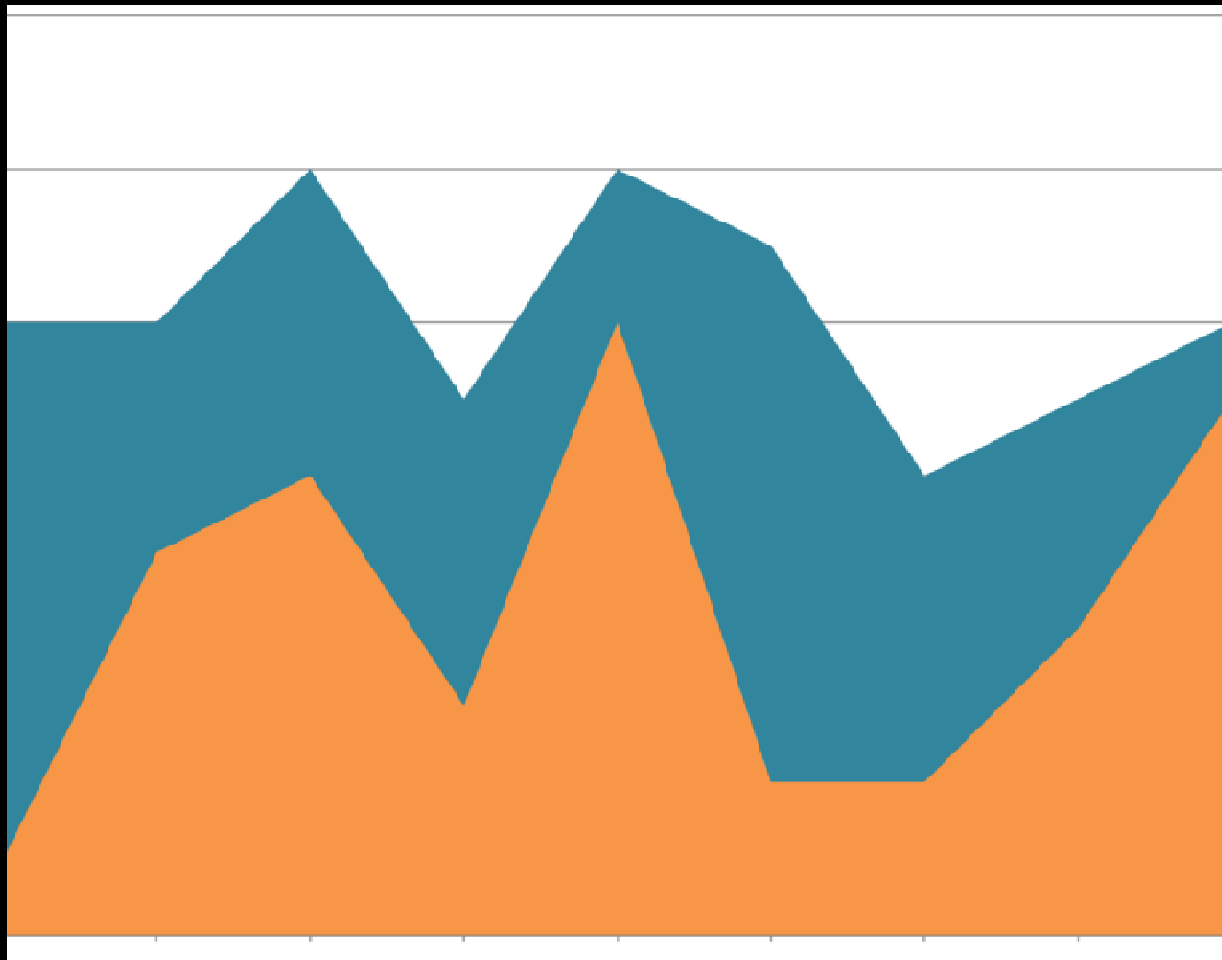


Return. Hold Fast. Wait. (Hosea)





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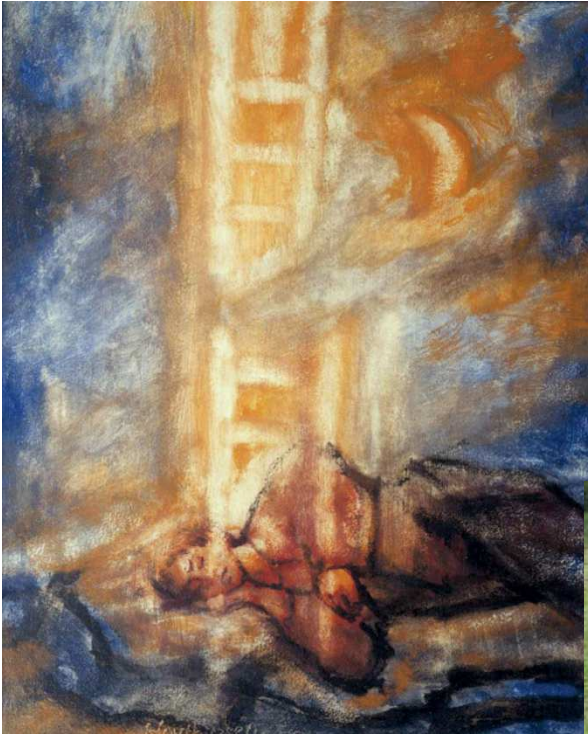
- Blessing

- Angels @
Bethel

- Laban 40 years

- Sticks and
Strips

- Leaving Laban





Genesis

32



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Genesis 32:3-5

v3 Jacob sent messengers ahead of him to his brother Esau in the land of Seir, the country of Edom.

v4 He instructed them: "This is what you are to say to my master Esau: 'Your servant Jacob says, I have been staying with Laban and have remained there till now.

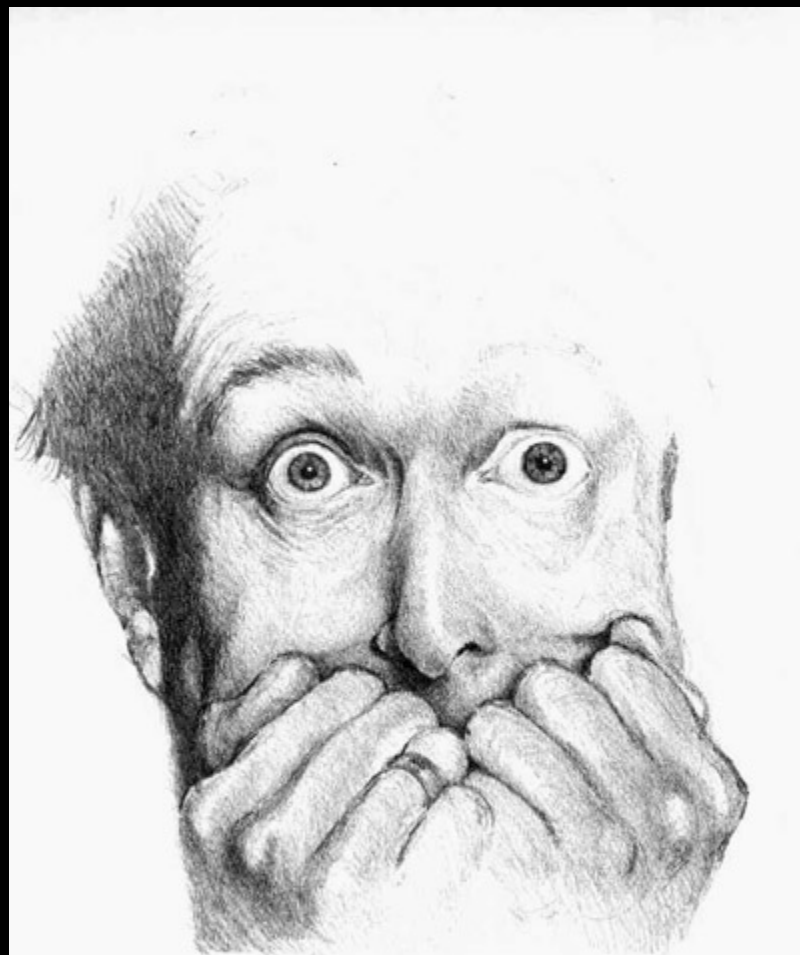
v5 I have cattle and donkeys, sheep and goats, menservants and maidservants. Now I am sending this message to my lord, **that I may find favor** in your eyes.' "

Genesis 32

V6 And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, "We came to your brother Esau, and he is coming to meet you, and there are four hundred men with him."

V7 Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed. He divided the people who were with him, and the flocks and herds and camels, into **two camps,**

V8 thinking, "If Esau comes to the one camp and attacks it, then the camp that is left will escape."



Genesis 32:9-12

v9 And Jacob said, "O God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, O LORD who said to me, 'Return to your country and to your kindred, that I may do you good,' v10 I am not worthy of the least of all the deeds of steadfast love and all the faithfulness that you have shown to your servant, for with only my staff I crossed this Jordan, and now I have become two camps.

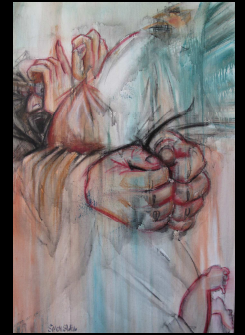
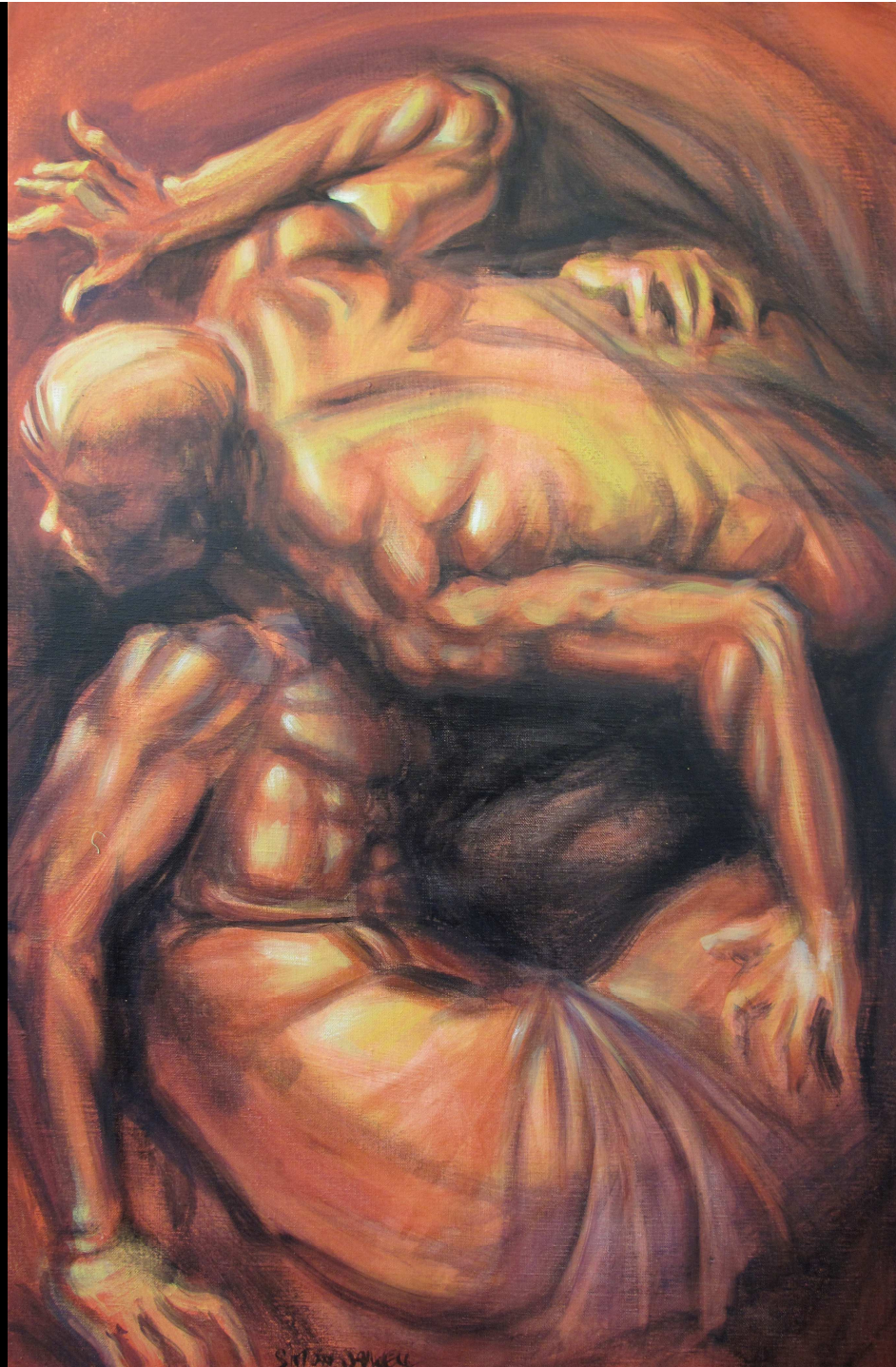
V11 **Please deliver me** from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau, for I fear him, that he may come and attack me, the mothers with the children. V12

But you said, 'I will surely do you good, and make your offspring as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.'"

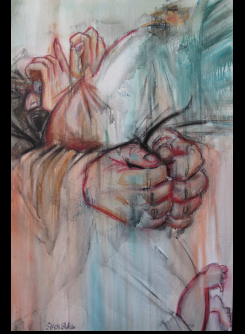


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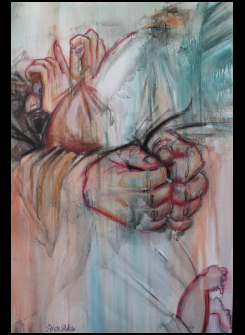


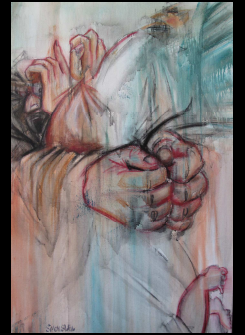


God and Jacob Wrestle



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Hosea 12:3-6

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He met God at Bethel,

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v5 the LORD, the God of hosts,

the LORD is his memorial name:

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return,

hold fast to love and justice,

and **wait continually** for your God."

The way to blessing is
not through scheming,
but through surrender
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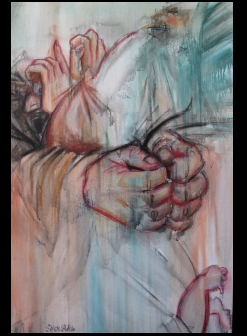
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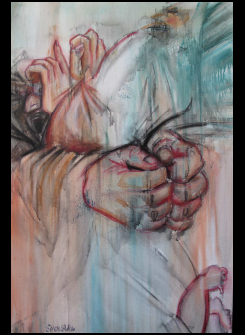
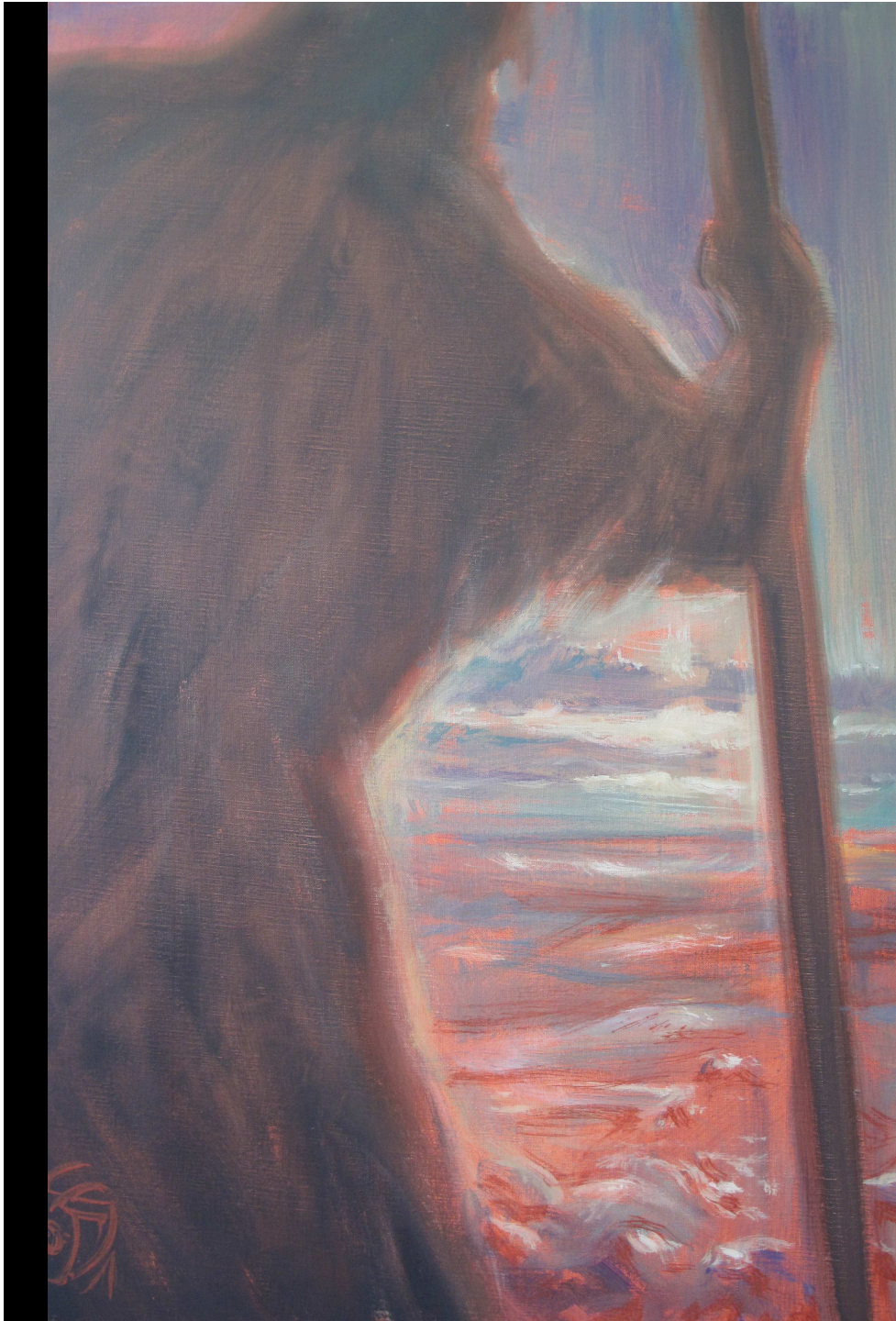
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Put your trust in God; but be sure to keep your powder dry.

(Oliver Cromwell)



**WRESTLING
WITH GOD?
JOIN US SUNDAY**



