

Citizen | Week 3 Clayton York | 03.20.2021

BIG IDEA: GOD WON'T BLESS WHO YOU PRETEND TO BE.

Hebrews 11:20-21 (NLT)

- ²⁰ It was by faith that Isaac promised blessings for the future to his sons, Jacob and Esau.
- ²¹ It was by faith that Jacob, when he was old and dying, blessed each of Joseph's sons and bowed in worship as he leaned on his staff.

Genesis 32:22-31 (NLT)

²² During the night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two servant wives, and his eleven sons and crossed the Jabbok River with them. ²³ After taking them to the other side, he sent over all his possessions. ²⁴ This left Jacob all alone in the camp, and a man came and wrestled with him until the dawn began to break. ²⁵ When the man saw that he would not win the match, he touched Jacob's hip and wrenched it out of its socket. ²⁶ Then the man said, "Let me go, for the dawn is breaking!" But Jacob said, "I will not let you go unless you bless me." ²⁷ "What is your name?" the man asked. He replied, "Jacob." ²⁸ "Your name will no longer be Jacob," the man told him. "From now on you will be called Israel, because you have fought with God and with men and have won." ²⁹ "Please tell me your name," Jacob said. "Why do you want to know my name?" the man replied. Then he blessed Jacob there. ³⁰ Jacob named the place Peniel (which means "face of God"), for he said, "I have seen God face to face, yet my life has been spared." ³¹ The sun was rising as Jacob left Peniel, and he was limping because of the injury to his hip.

WHATEVER YOU SEEK IS WHAT YOU WILL FIND, AND WHEN YOU FIND IT... YOU WILL KNOW IF IT WAS WORTH IT.

"Deceit is the false road to happiness; and all the joys we travel through to vice, like fairy tale banquets, vanish when we touch them." - Aaron Hill

YOUR IDENTITY IS NOT EXPECTED OR INHERITED, IT IS CREATED.

YOU CANNOT BE A CITIZEN OF *HEAVEN* IF YOU ARE A CITIZEN OF *SELF*.