

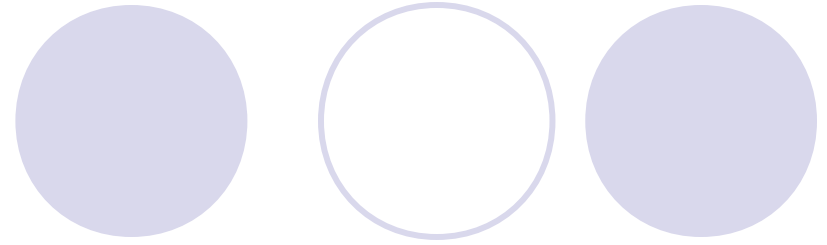
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# Wholeness

It comes when we stop  
wrestling with God.

# Adam and Eve

## Gen 3:4-7



**4 "You will not surely die," the serpent said to the woman.**

**5 "For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil..."**

**7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.**



Moses

Exodus 4:10-13

**10 Moses said to the LORD, "O Lord, I have never been eloquent, neither in the past nor since you have spoken to your servant. I am slow of speech and tongue."**

**11 The LORD said to him, "Who gave man his mouth? Who makes him deaf or mute? Who gives him sight or makes him blind? Is it not I, the LORD?..."**

**13 But Moses said, "O Lord, please send someone else to do it."**

Jonah  
Jonah 2:8

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- **8 Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs.**



# Jonah 4:6-11

**6** Then the LORD God provided a vine and made it grow up over Jonah to give shade for his head to ease his discomfort, and Jonah was very happy about the vine...

**10** But the LORD said, "You have been concerned about this vine, though you did not tend it or make it grow. It sprang up overnight and died overnight.

**11** But Nineveh has more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who cannot tell their right hand from their left, and many cattle as well. Should I not be concerned about that great city?"

# Nicodemus

## John 3:4-9

- **4 "How can a man be born when he is old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely he cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb to be born!" ...**
- **7 You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.'**
- **8 The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."**
- **9 "How can this be?" Nicodemus asked.**



Paul

Acts 9: 1-9

**1 Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples. He went to the high priest**

**2 and asked him for letters to the synagogues in Damascus, so that if he found any there who belonged to the Way, whether men or women, he might take them as prisoners to Jerusalem.**

Paul  
Acts 26:14

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- **14 We all fell to the ground, and I heard a voice saying to me in Aramaic, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.'**

# Jacob “King of all wrestlers.”

Gen 32:22-31

**24 So Jacob was left alone, and a man wrestled with him till daybreak.**

**25 When the man saw that he could not overpower him, he touched the socket of Jacob's hip so that his hip was wrenched as he wrestled with the man.**

**26 Then the man said, "Let me go, for it is daybreak." But Jacob replied, "I will not let you go unless you bless me..."**

**29 Jacob said, "Please tell me your name." But he replied, "Why do you ask my name?" Then he blessed him there.**

**30 So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "It is because I saw God face to face, and yet my life was spared."**

# Wholeness comes when we stop wrestling.

- Adam and Eve: Playing with Evil
- Moses: God enables our calling
- Jonah: Obedience and forgiveness
- Nicodemus: Wrestled with mind and tradition
- Paul: Wrestled with church and gods limitations to bring him to his purpose
- Jacob: King of all wrestlers, schemer