

A New Name

This Bible story tells how Jacob got the name Israel, which probably means, "He struggles with God."

Many Bible people have names that tell something about them. *Abraham* means "father of many." The Jewish people as well as the Arabs are descended from Abraham. Abraham was indeed the father of many.

Suppose God let you pick a name to tell what you are like. Here is a list of possible names:

Obedient	Contented	Peace-loving
Smiling	Prayerful	Thoughtful
Neat	Helpful	Truthful
Patient	Cheerful	Thankful
Hard-working	Trustworthy	Loving

Pick the one you want to describe yourself. Just for fun, ask your family to use the new name for a day or two, to remind you of the kind of person you want to be.

Live It!



Genesis 32:22-30