

“IT’S NOT OVER”

“Starting Over”

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“The best thing about being emptied, it’s the best time to start over.”

1. FACE your fakeness.

Genesis 32:27 – “So he said to him, ‘What is your name?’ He said, ‘Jacob.’”

Matthew 4:17 – “From then on Jesus began to preach, ‘Repent of your sins and turn to God for the Kingdom of heaven is near.’”

Genesis 31:31 – “‘I rushed away because I was afraid,’ Jacob answered. ‘I thought you would take your daughters from me by force.’”

2. FIGHT your selfishness.

Genesis 32:22 – “Now he got up that same night and took his two wives, his female slaves and his eleven children and crossed the shallow place of the Jabbok.”

Philippians 2:3,5,6,7 – “Do nothing from selfish or empty conceit, but with humility consider one another as more important than yourselves. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had, who as He existed in the form of God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but He emptied himself, having taken the form of a servant.”

3. FIND your identity.

Genesis 32:28,29 – “Then he said, ‘Your name shall no longer be Jacob, but Israel; for you have contended with God and with men and have prevailed.’ And Jacob asked him and said, ‘Please tell me your name,’ but he said, ‘Why is it that you ask my name?’ And he blessed him there.”

**“Give yourself the gift of emptying yourself every day,
and you’ll become a gift.”**