

SERMON NOTES

THE PRAYER OF JABEZ

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Jabez was more honorable than his brothers. His mother had named him Jabez, saying, “I gave birth to him in pain.” Jabez cried out to the God of Israel, “Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory! Let your hand be with me, and keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain.” And God granted his request.

1 Chronicles 4:9–10

1. Jabez Prayed by Faith

- Jabez approached God with confidence, trusting Him to answer.
- **James 1:5–8**
- **Jeremiah 33:3**

2. Jabez Prayed for God’s Blessing

- He desired God’s favor—not just material, but spiritual blessing.
- **Genesis 12:2–3**
- **Ephesians 1:3**

3. Jabez Prayed for Enlargement

- “Enlarge my coast” reflects a desire for greater territory, opportunity, and influence under God’s will.
- **Exodus 34:24**
- **Isaiah 54:2**

4. Jabez Prayed for God’s Presence

- He asked that God’s hand would guide, strengthen, and sustain him in all things.
- **Psalms 18:35 / 63:8 / 73:23 / 37:23–25**

5. Jabez Prayed for God’s Protection

- He sought deliverance from evil and strength to overcome temptation.
- **Matthew 6:13**
- **1 Corinthians 10:13**

6. God Granted His Request

- God honored Jabez’s faith and answered his prayer—showing that a sincere heart and believing in what you pray moves the hand of God.