

THE PRAYER OF JABEZ

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1 Chron 4:9-10 And Jabez was more honorable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow. And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.

We are told that Jabez was more honorable than his brethren.

I hope that you are doing your best to honor God with the life that you are living? I pray that others see God living in me, thus creating a desire in them, to know God for themselves.

Secondly we are told that Jabez called on God, asking Him for a blessing.

Would you like to be blessed? Are you willing to call on God? If you want something from the Lord, He wants you to ask Him. He wants you to make your request known.

The third thing that Jabez asked for was for God to enlarge his coast.

I believe that Jabez was asking for more than just real estate. He is asking for more territory, more influence, more responsibility, more opportunity to do something great for God.

Little becomes much whenever we ask God to bless it. Little becomes more whenever we are willing to give back to the God that gave it.

The fourth thing Jabez ask for was that he would be kept from evil.

The people that the devil is after the hardest are those who are doing his kingdom the most harm. Satan doesn't spend much time on some people because he doesn't have to but there are others who put hell on notice and high alert.

Before sin, comes temptation. If we would pray more often that temptation be kept at bay, then we would be victorious over sin more often.

Jabez prayed for more blessing, more territory, more power and more protection. And God granted him that which he requested.

My prayer is that God does the same for each one of us as well.