

The Prayer of Jabez

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1 Chronicles 4:9-10

And Jabez was more honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow.

¹⁰ 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.

1. Jabez had a very negative family background. His mother gave him a very negative name that he would have to live with the rest of his life.
2. Apparently his brothers gave into this kind of negativity.
3. Jabez was more noble than his brothers. He did not give into the negative direction that he was pointed to.
4. His prayer indicates his heart.

- A. He prayed for financial blessing.
 - B. He wanted God's hand on his life.
 - C. He wanted to live a godly, clean life.
- He depended on God for all these things.
5. God granted all these prayers.