

## **“Small Prayer, Giant Prize”**

A Lord’s Flock General Assembly Topic

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Jabez was an honorable man in the Old Testament. His name in Hebrew, however, means ‘pain’. He wanted a life free from pain, so he prayed to God to bless him with an abundant life. Jabez demonstrated how a short but powerful prayer of a righteous man wins God’s favor and blessings.

### **1. Keys to living a blessed life:**

- 1.1. Living right and honorable for God
- 1.2. Right relationship with God
- 1.3. Remain in God & His word
  - Blessed is the man who finds delight in God’s word, who studies His Word day and night.
- 1.4. Trust God
- 1.5. Obedience to God

### **2. What the word “*blessing*” means:**

- 2.1. To bless in the biblical sense means to ask for or impart a supernatural favor.
- 2.2. “The Lord’s blessing is our greatest wealth; all our work adds nothing to it” (Prov. 10:12).

### **3. The Prayer of Jabez**

“Oh, that you may truly bless me and extend my boundaries! May your hand be with me and make me free of misfortune, without pain!”  
(1 Chron 4:10)

#### **3.1. “God bless me.”**

##### **A. Jabez enthroned God.**

- When we praise God, we start praising the attributes of God and stop focusing on our circumstances. (2 Chron. 20:3,6)

##### **B. Jabez saw in advance the blessings of God that he wanted to be bestowed upon him.**

- Let us ask God to give us a greater perspective to see new opportunities to serve him with greater holiness, righteousness, and truth.

#### **3.2. “God, expand/enlarge my territory.”**

##### **A. Jabez prayed for enlargement.**

- He prayed for supernatural intervention and was given more opportunities and

responsibilities to make a mark for God.  
(Jos. 1:2-3)

##### **B. Jabez prayed for enrichment**

- “If you are not going yourself, do not make us go up from here” (Exo. 33:15).

#### **3.3. “May your hand be with me.”**

##### **A. Jabez prayed for God’s ever presence.**

- God promises us to always be with us and never abandon us. (Jos. 1:5)
- “God does not change” (Mal.3:6).
- The arm of the Lord is not too short to save. (Is. 59:1)

##### **B. Jabez prayed for enablement.**

- We who lack in strength, courage, and wisdom should pray for supernatural capacity to accomplish our mission through the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### **3.4. “Make me free from misfortune without pain!”**

##### **A. Jabez prayed for energization**

- God gave him supernatural strength to accomplish His work
- “Fear not for I am with you.” (Is. 41:10)
- “Be strong, be courageous... I am with you wherever you go.” (Jos. 1:9)

We need to live righteous lives for God watches us closely. He grants our prayers when we are in a right relationship with him. When our hearts are set aright in God, He will bless us, expand our territories, and enable us to accomplish our mission.

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