



PRAYER OF JABEZ

1 Chronicles 4:9-10 - 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, [Meaning of Jabez - pain], "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. Oh that you would bless me [greek word for bless-barak- swoop down and bless me]
 1. Pray for Blessing
 1. You give me your shield of victory, and your right hand sustains me; you stoop down to make me great. Psalms
 2. I will bless you.. and you will be a blessing to others. Genesis 12:2
 3. Lord, give me more than I need so I can be a blessing to the world around me.
 2. Enlarge my territory
 1. Pray for Influence
 1. Take me places that are bigger than me.
 2. God has available a life that is bigger than you.
 3. Ephesians 1:18 - I pray also that they eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he was called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints.
 1. You can't find hope unless you know you're calling.
 2. Your inheritance is people. Your purpose is people.
 4. Psalms 2:8 - ask me and I will make the nation your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession.
 5. Lord, show me your purpose for my life so I can live a life bigger than my own.
 3. Let your hand be with me
 1. Pray for presence
 1. Acts 11:21 - The Lord's hand was with them and a great number of people believed and turned to the Lord.

2. Exodus 33:15-17 - Then Moses said to him, "If your presence does not go with us, do not send us up from here. How will anyone know that you are pleased with me and with you people unless you go with us. What else will distinguish me and your people from all the other people on the face of the earth And the Lord said to Moses, I will do the very thing you have asked.
3. *Lord, be with me, because what you have called me to is too big for me.*
4. Keep me from harm
 1. Pray for protection
 1. If you are not bumping heads with the devil, you may be walking with him.
 2. 1 Peter 5:8 - The devil is like a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour.
 3. *Lord, strengthen me in and protect me from every attacked of the enemy.*

Prayer isn't about God moving toward us. Prayer is about us moving toward God.