

Pastoral Notes

“Lord Bless Me Indeed”-
1Chronicles 4:9-10.

Do you pray average prayers or **are you bold enough like Jabez to ask God to supersize your blessing and enlarge your territory?** Average people are as close to the bottom as they are the top.

According to author Bob Rench, Jabez

and marked by people close to us. Regardless, **we can be true to God and invoke his blessing upon us through our prayers. The key is honoring God by our praise, worship, study and service.**

Jabez didn't allow his misfortune to discourage him from being more honorable than those around him nor from seeking God.

Key Sermonic Points

1. *God blesses honorable people.*
2. *Don't let a birthmark hinder you.*
3. *Always stay prayerful because prayer makes a difference.*

was ‘Conceived in Pain, Delivered in Victory’. The scripture further lends credence to this caption, his life story revealing Jabez was named because his birth brought shame and pain to his mother. He was a love child scarred at birth by a daddy who deserted him and a mama who marked him.

Sometimes we have life struggles as a result of being scarred

He cried out to God who heard him and was pleased to “Bless him Indeed”.

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Stay Blessed,
Pastor Robbie

Nuggets:

- Always strive for excellence in all that you do. Desire to be the Cream that rises to the top and not the Crud that settles at the bottom
- A prayer can be ‘poor in length’ (short) yet be ‘rich in content’.
- People can say a lot without using a lot of words. Our actions will reach people before our words do.
- Let God enlarge your network, circle of friends, sphere of influence, business, bank account.

“ When you are average, you are as close to the bottom as you are to the top”.