

# Prayer Of Jabez Part 1

## Discussion Questions

1. Considering the concept of Vision Sundays, how can we as a community of faith remain open to God's guidance even when it deviates from our plans or expectations? (Proverbs 19:21)
2. The prayer of Jabez is a central theme of the sermon. Discuss the four parts of Jabez's prayer (1 Chronicles 4:10) and share personal experiences where you've seen these elements at work in your own life.
3. The Sermon touches on the prayer of Jabez and his request for God's blessing. What does it mean to you to be "blessed" and how does this align with the biblical understanding of blessings? (1 Chronicles 4:10)
4. How does the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 7:9-11) challenge our understanding of what it means to request blessings and favors from God? In what ways have you witnessed God's readiness to provide wonderful gifts?
5. The sermon challenges the prosperity gospel and the equation of God's favor with material success. Discuss the potential dangers of this belief and explore what true spiritual wealth means to you. (Matthew 6:19-21)
6. In light of the discussion on cultural responses to blessings and the phrase "bless your heart," how can we ensure that our use of the word "blessed" remains authentic and aligned with biblical teachings? (James 3:9-12)
7. The sermon invites us to contemplate our worthiness of God's favor and the role of Jesus's sacrifice. How does understanding our value in Christ impact our readiness to receive divine blessings? (Ephesians 1:3-8)
8. As we consider our legacy and destiny intertwined with blessings, how can we as individuals and a church community pursue God's purpose for our lives with expectant faith? (Jeremiah 29:11)
9. The sermon concludes with an invitation to pray for strength and blessings in fulfilling our life purposes. Share a time when you have felt empowered by prayer to step into your God-given destiny. (Philippians 4:13)
10. Reflect on the idea that God's blessings are inclusive and available to all. How can we extend this inclusive nature of God's love to those who may feel marginalized or excluded? (Galatians 3:28)