



It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that you will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

God doesn't want us to just ease through life, be safe or be average. He wants us to live extraordinary lives by trusting Him. Although Jabez is mentioned in just two verses, those verses have significant meaning and can have great impact on us today. Jabez was choosing to trust God instead of the 'label' that his name put on him. His prayer to God is one that sums up what each of us truly needs to get through this life.

Jabez had a legitimate **want**.

What do you want God to do with your life? Like Jabez, do you know what your "life want" is? Do you struggle in letting fear get in your way? How can you overcome possible laziness in your life to live a life of contentment? Do you think "little" when it comes to your spirituality instead of seeking God's "big" gifts for your life?

Proverbs 15:33; Colossians 3:23; 1 Chronicles 4:9-10

Jabez stepped out and **did**. He had a sincere faith.

It doesn't take a lot to be extra-ordinary when God is in your life because He is extraordinary. When we honor God above all, then all we do will honor God. What are you doing with your faith? Give an example of how you are impacting or did impact another person because of God's work in your life.

Romans 14:22; 1 Thessalonians 5:8; 2 Peter 1:5-8; Matthew 8:5-13

Jabez sat down and **prayed**. He had a genuine prayer life.

Have there been times in your past where a "label" has defined how you live and act? How can you change that to allow God to be bigger than that label? Is your prayer life like that of Jabez? Was there a time in your life when you were too arrogant to pray? How can you change to be like Jabez and ask for God's power, His presence and His protection?

Isaiah 65:24; James 5:16; Philippians 4:6

What's Next

- Take time to think about what you want God to do for you, then share that with Him.
- Ask someone in your LIFE group to help you make a plan to prepare for what you ask God to do with your life.
- Spend time in prayer asking for God's power, presence and protection for yourself and those around you each day.