



Jabez was more honorable than his brothers, and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, "Because I bore him in pain" <sup>10</sup>And Jabez called on the God of Israel saying, "Oh, that You would bless me indeed, and enlarge my territory, that Your hand would be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, that I may not cause pain" So God granted him what he requested. **1 Chronicles 4:9-10 NKJV**

"The difference in ordinary and extraordinary is the extra."

## 5 ESSENTIALS TO BECOMING AN EXTRAORDINARY CHRIST-FOLLOWER

### ESSENTIAL #1 – I will place extra emphasis on \_\_\_\_\_.

Now Jabez was more honorable than his brothers... **1 Chronicles 4:9 NKJV**

The Eternal stays far from the wrongdoers, but He listens to the prayer of the right-living. **Proverbs 15:29 VOICE**

Prayer that comes from faith will heal the sick.... And if they have sinned, they will be forgiven. <sup>16</sup>For this reason, confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous person is powerful in what it can achieve. **James 5:15, 16 CEB**

The Berean's were more honorable than those in Thessalonica. This was evident in the great eagerness with which they accepted the word and examined the scriptures each day to see whether Paul and Silas' teaching was true. <sup>12</sup>Many came to believe, **Acts 17:11-12 CEB**

### ESSENTIAL #2 – I Will Place Extra Emphasis on \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

...and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, "Because I bore him in pain... **1 Chronicles 4:9b NKJV**

- Check any obstacle to extraordinary that you, like Jabez, face:

\_\_\_\_\_ Mommy issues \_\_\_\_\_ Daddy issues \_\_\_\_\_ Sibling issues  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Economic issues \_\_\_\_\_ Emotional problems  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Issues with how others perceive me

Problems with \_\_\_\_\_

### ESSENTIAL #3 - I Will Place Extra Emphasis on \_\_\_\_\_.

And Jabez called on the God of Israel... **1 Chronicles 4:910 NKJV**

The LORD said: It isn't too late. You can still return to me with all your heart. Start crying and mourning! Go without eating. <sup>13</sup>Don't rip your clothes to show your sorrow. Instead, turn back to me with broken hearts. I am merciful, kind, and caring... Perhaps I will change my mind... Then you will be blessed... **Joel 2:12 - 14a CEV**

Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. **James 4:8- 9 NIV**

### ESSENTIAL #4 - I will Place Extra Emphasis on \_\_\_\_\_.

We are confident that God listens to us if we ask for anything that has his approval. **1 John 5:14 GW**

And yet the reason you don't have what you want is that you don't ask God for it. **James 4:2b NLT**

#### JABEZ PRAYS HIS B. E. S. T. PRAYER: GOD PLEASE...

- **B** \_\_\_\_\_ me - "Oh, that You would bless me indeed."
- **E** \_\_\_\_\_ my opportunity - "and enlarge my territory..."
- **S** \_\_\_\_\_ with me - "that Your hand would be with me,
- **T** \_\_\_\_\_ me away from evil – "that You would keep me from evil."

...lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. **Matthew 6:13 NIV**

### ESSENTIAL #5 - I will place Extra Emphasis on \_\_\_\_\_ my \_\_\_\_\_.

...that I may not cause pain! **1 Chronicles 4:9 NKJV**

I am going to put a special blessing on you and cause your reputation to grow so that you will become a blessing and example to others **Genesis 12:2b NLT**

And even when you ask, you don't get it because your motives are all wrong—you want only what will give you pleasure. **James 4:3 NLT**

I know, my God, that you examine our hearts and rejoice when you find integrity there. You know I have done all this with good motives...

**1 Chronicles 29:17 NLT**

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