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⁹ *Jabez was more honorable than his brothers. His mother had named him Jabez, saying, "I gave birth to him in pain."*

¹⁰ *Jabez cried out to the God of Israel, "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 Chronicles 4:9-10*

Three lessons to learn from Jabez:

1. You need a _____.

Three misconceptions:

(a) We confuse _____ with _____.

A Pessimist—"someone who can look at the land of milk and honey and see only calories and cholesterol."

"We cannot continually behave in a manner that is inconsistent with the way we see ourselves."

"As a man thinks in his heart, so is he."
—Proverbs 23:7

(b) We confuse _____ with _____.

"...I've learned to be content..."—Philippians 4:11

(c) We confuse _____ with _____.

2. You need a _____.

"Expect great things from God and attempt great things for God". (William Corey)

Jabez had...

(a) No _____.

"...according to your faith will it be done to you."
—Matthew 9:29

(b) Some type of _____.

His name meant "_____".

3. You need a _____.

Three things to learn from Jabez's prayer:

1. He prayed for _____.

"Oh, that you would bless me and enlarge my territory!"
—1 Chronicles 4:10

'Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.'—Jeremiah 33:3

2. He prayed for _____.

"...let your hand be with me..."—1 Chronicles 4:10

3. He prayed for _____.

...keep me from harm so that I will be free from pain."
—1 Chronicle 4:10

"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."—1 Chronicles 4:10