

NEXT LEVEL LIVING

Next Level Prayer

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D. Pray For Godliness.

"...and that You would keep me from evil,..."

I Chronicles 4:10e

"Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak." Matthew 26:41

*"1 Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may run swiftly and be glorified, just as it is with you,
2 and that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men; for not all have faith."* II Thessalonians 3:1-2

A prayer list helps with organization and consistency.

III. PRAY WITH POWER

A. Jabez prayed emotionally.

"...that I may not cause pain!..."

I Chronicles 4:10f

"...The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much."

James 5:16b

"But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit,"

Jude 20

B. Jabez prayed effectually.

"...So God granted him what he requested."

I Chronicles 4:10g

Why? Jabez was an honorable man.

"And whatever we ask we receive from Him, because we keep His commandments and do those things that are pleasing in His sight."

I John 3:22

Recognize the most important thing in prayer is not the position of your body, but the condition of your heart.

TAKE ACTION AND DO NEXT LEVEL PRAYER!

INTRODUCTION

- A.** Are you ready to take your life to the Next Level in this new year? The challenge is that wishing and wanting it will not make it happen. Action is required. The good news is you do not have to do it alone. God will help you to fulfill the actions that are necessary to elevate your life to your new next level.

"Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness And rivers in the desert."

Isaiah 43:19

- B.** There are three vital questions you must answer to advance to the next level:

1. What level am I now?
2. What is my next level?
3. What actions must I do to get to the next level?

- C.** This series will equip you with the six core actions that are necessary to go to the next level in any area of your life. The messages include:

Jan 9	Next Level Faith
Jan 16	Next Level Goals
Jan 23	Next Level Health
TODAY	Next Level Prayer
Feb 6	Next Level Discipline
Feb 13	Next Level Teamwork

Come and hear these messages and discover what actions are needed to take your life to the next level!

- D. TEXT:** I Chronicles 4:9-10

Prayer is talking WITH God!

HOW TO TAKE YOUR PRAYER TO THE NEXT LEVEL

Who Was Jabez?

1. He was a man of honor (v 9a).
2. He was a man of sorrow (v 9b).
3. He was a man of prayer (v 10a).

I. PRAY WITH CONFIDENCE

“And Jabez called on the God of Israel saying, ...”
I Chronicles 4:10a

He prayed to the God of Israel.

“Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh. Is there anything too hard for Me?”
Jeremiah 32:27

“Call to Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.”
Jeremiah 33:3

Expect great things from God!

II. PRAY WITH A LIST

A. Pray For God’s Blessing .

“...Oh, that You would bless me indeed, ...”
I Chronicles 4:10b

“And He said, “Let Me go, for the day breaks.” But he said, “I will not let You go unless You bless me!”
Genesis 32:26

“I Blessed is the man Who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor stands in the path of sinners, Nor sits in the seat of the scornful;

2 But his delight is in the law of the LORD, And in His law he meditates day and night.

3 He shall be like a tree Planted by the rivers of water That brings forth its fruit in its season, Whose leaf also shall not wither; And whatever he does shall prosper.” Psalm 1:1-3

B. Pray For Growth .

“...and enlarge my territory, ...” I Chronicles 4:10c

“Now therefore, give me this mountain of which the LORD spoke in that day; for you heard in that day how the Anakim were there, and that the Cities were great and fortified. It may be that the LORD will be with me, and I shall be able to drive them out as the LORD said.”
Joshua 14:12

“And I also say to you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.”
Matthew 16:18

C. Pray For Guidance.

“...that Your hand would be with me, ...” I Chronicles 4:10d
*“5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding;
6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.”*
Proverbs 3:5-6

“5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him.

6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind.

7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord;”
James 1:5-7