## WHAT A PRAYER!

 $\mathbf{March}\ 1,\ 2021$  This well known, but I am afraid, seldom prayed prayer, comes from a man whom the Lord said. "was more honorable than his brethren." Jabez, a man whose very name was given to him because of sorrow, came from a burden to be a blessing. That just goes to show you that our start doesn't have to determine our finish. Halleluiah! He had such a desire to do more for God that God couldn't finish the Jewish linages without stopping to say something about it. While his prayer was five-tier as he prayed, "bless me, enlarge me, fill me, keep me and encourage me." I noticed one thing about his character toward the end of his prayer. He said, "that it may not grieve me!" My heart was captured by the little word, "grieve". It means to carve or fashion, to pain or make angry, to displease, hurt, or to make or be sorry. This told me a little about how Jabez would be affected if God didn't answer his prayer. This word "grieve" is the same Hebrew word used as "worship" in Jer. 44:19 where Jeremiah is referring to Israel's worshipping of a false god. It is also the same Hebrew word as "vexed" in Isa. 63:10 when Israel vexed His Holy Spirit. Do you see the correlation? Jabez was in such a place in his life, that if God didn't answer his prayer, it would be to him as if he were worshipping a false god & the Spirit of God would be vexed because this prayer is what God wanted for Jabez to begin with. He has so died to self that he will be pained, hurt, made sorry, & displeased if God does not grant him this prayer. WOW! No wonder he was more honorable than his brethren! Would to God more of us could be "grieved" if we don't get

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...Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me....1Chr. 4:10

Hallelujah to the Lamb of God for all the great things His is doing in these days! We are so grateful to see the mighty hand of God still working in our land. We spent some time on the road (about 5 weeks) in January & February living in the bus and traveling to Texas, then back to Florida, then up through Georgia before making it back home. We are thankful for all God did along the way. We were able to see souls saved in Texas and people getting help they need. What a blessing when you know you're an instrument in the hand of God. One man we talked with sat with tears streaming down his face as the Holy Spirit dealt in his heart. Others we saw the finger of God nudging their hearts to get things right in their lives. We got to see full altars in many places as God was doing the work He has given us the privilege to be a small part of, Bless His Name!

We got to get out hundreds of copies of John & Romans in Houston, Tx. and surrounding areas. We were able to set up the bus in different areas with all the banners and get our message of a call to repentance to America. There were people stopping in and taking free Bibles along with many of the local churches gospel tracks. We were able to work with the Dyersdale Baptist church and Pastor Kenneth Jackson in and around the Houston area. What a blessing to pair up with the James Garcia family in Shepherd, Tx. where we saw a man give his heart to the Lord standing in a parking lot! God is still working in our land to save old sinners and encourage the saints.

As with anything else we do for JESUS, it doesn't come without opposition. We did face some bumps in the road, but God delivered every time! He always make Himself known & gives us the boldness to stand & give the Gospel to sinners and the courage to just be a beacon of hope in a dark place. So many people have stopped and been encouraged by the outreach and it has touched the lives of many we are sure we don't even know about. Is that not what we, the church, is supposed to do?

God is so faithful, that when He gives us something to do, He will meet every need & clear the path along the way. He has certainly done that with, and



PRAYER REQUESTS.....

We'll be heading back to Ga. next month, then to Ky.—Pray for soul salvation! Please continue to help us pray that our meetings will be rescheduled that were cancelled last year due to Covid. We just want to serve God's people!

Pray God will enlarge our coasts in every aspect of the ministry. We would love to get into more areas to help churches get out the Gospel message & call America to Repentance & see souls saved for the Glory of God. It will be THE CHURCH that calls for REPENTANCE—Acts. 2:38



to do more for Jesus.

We were so glad to help out with a building project at Dyersdale Baptist Church

—Bro. Orange

Thank you to all of our supporting churches! Your support is invaluable to us. We are so thankful for your monetary support, but also for your prayer support! Your prayers are imperative. So please don't stop praying for us.

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