

"It's Not Over" HOPE GROUP STUDY - Week of April 14, 2024 Let's review this week's message, "Labels, Liabilities, and Limitations"

1 Let's Talk & Pray

Ask everyone to share the following: <u>Did you ever have a nickname you did not</u> <u>like? Why? Why were you called that</u> <u>name?</u> After everyone has shared, pray for your time together.

2 Let's Read the Word

1 Chronicles 4:9.10; Proverbs 4:18 Proverbs 11:24,25; Philippians 2:14,15

3 Let's Review the Main Idea

Even if there are just a few verses in the Bible about Jabez, many of us may identify with him... walking through the pain and struggle of being labeled in life. No matter who labels us, Jabez teaches us that we can cry out to God and ask for His hand and blessing to be upon us. God is not limited by any of the labels, liabilities, or limitations placed on us, so let's be encouraged and...

- Live BLESSED without labels
- Live BEYOND our liabilities
- Live BIGGER than our limitations

4 Let's Think

- Why do you think Jabez's mother wanted to "pass on" the pain she experienced with him?
- When someone projects their pain on you, what do you do? What did Jabez do?
- What kind of labels put on us make it difficult to "live blessed?"

5 Let's Share

- Our pasts can shape our present lives if we let them. What past patterns, habits, or thinking have you had to let go of? How did you do it?
- Which part of Jabez's short prayer resonates with you the most right now?
- What area of your life/past do you need to experience God's help to be free from trouble and pain?

6 Let's Grow

- How did pain "help" Jabez connect with God more? How has pain "helped" you connect with God more?
- What boundaries have you seen expanded because you have connected with God in spite of pain/struggle?
- When we live bigger than our limitations, how is God glorified? How have you experienced this in your own life? What limitation in life right now do you need to pray and ask God that His glory be revealed?

7 Let's Pray

Take a few moments to share prayer requests and pray for them and each other.

Here's what's coming up at Hope!

April 19 & 20 / Hope Spring Clean Out & Sale May 4 / Women of Hope Celebration Brunch May 5 / Amigo Day