

NAME YOUR PRAYER

Sermon Notes for Sunday, March 3, 2024. Based on Rev. Chris Heckert's sermon.

"Because I bore him in pain." Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, "Oh that you would bless me and enlarge my border, and that your hand might be with me, and that you would keep me from hurt and harm!" – 1 Chronicles 4:10

- 2. When it comes to being creative and working things out, ______ space can make a big difference.
- 3. The prayer of Jabez asks for three things:
 - 1. Expand my _____
 - 2. That your ______ would be with me
 - 3. That you would _____ me
- 4. We can't judge a prayer based on our ______ of its fulfillment.
- 5. Prayer is not a ______ discipline in which we can track and measure its effectiveness in real time.
- 6. Jesus teaches us: When we pray, we first ask above anything we want for God's to be done.
- 7. Every prayer we offer is important in our ______ with God.

Questions for Reflection

- 1. What unfulfilled prayer has made us reluctant to go to God first with any need, hope, or worry that we might have?
- 2. In what ways might you use analog space to name your prayer to God as a habit or rhythm?
- 3. What is your prayer today (whatever hope, gratitude, need, dream, or worry you have on your heart)? Write it down as a prayer practice.