

A PRAYER THAT GOD LOVES

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Last week I shared with you the Prayer of Jabez. Jabez prayed that God would bless him and enlarge his coast and that the hand of God would be with him and that he would be kept from evil. The Bible says that “God granted him that which he requested.”

I also mentioned Jacob in my message last week. Jacob was a liar, a deceiver and a thief. In spite of his sin, we find him being blessed by God.

Jacob had been living his life depending upon himself. He had lived scheming and manipulating. The day came whenever he had to face the music. His brother Esau was coming to kill him.

Jacob knew that unless something happened to soften the heart of Esau, his entire family would be wiped out.

Jacob decided to have a prayer meeting. He humbled himself and asked God for help. During his time of prayer, a stranger attacks him. They began to wrestle and the match lasted all night long. Before daylight, Jacob came to the realization that the person he was wrestling with was none other than God himself in human form.

When the day began to break, the angel of the Lord was ready to leave and Jacob refused to let him go until God blessed him.

Gen 32:26 And he said, Let me go, for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.

We might think that this prayer sounds selfish, but God loved it. God answered it. God blessed Jacob and changed the rest of his life because he was willing to pray and ask God for a blessing.

Are you willing to humble yourself and acknowledge your need of God? Are you willing to hold on until you get what you want from God? If so, God will hear and answer your prayer and your life will be changed forever!