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- Paul prays for the church (***Colossians 1:9 NLT***)
 1. Filled with the knowledge of God's will
 2. The bigger purpose (***Colossians 1:10 NLT***)

AN HONORABLE PRAYER (1 Chronicles 4:9-10 NKJ)

- Jabez was stuck with a bad label
 1. May have been a difficult time for his mother - had him in pain
 2. Projected her negativity onto an innocent child
- Jabez lived bigger than his name/label
 1. More honorable than his brothers
- Called on God
 1. He believed in the God of Israel
 2. He asked God for blessings and help
 3. The bigger picture - that he would not cause pain

WHAT'S THE BIGGER PICTURE FOR YOU?

- Living bigger than the negative labels on your life
 1. Labels can stick, especially the negative ones that hurt
 2. God's better label for you (***1 Peter 2:9 NKJ***)
- To be a blessing to the people in your world
 1. Someone who does not cause pain (***Matthew 5:16 NKJ***)
 2. Being a blessing is an antidote to pain and hurt in your own life (***Galatians 6:9-10 NLT***)