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CARE GROUP SUMMARY

We are living in an extraordinary time—The Third Day.

In our first Care Group session of 2025, we explore what it means to be the Third-Day Generation and how it applies to you personally. Join our pastors and leaders as they unpack key revelations from Pastor Joseph Prince's Vision Sunday message (Jan 12, 2025), including:

- What it means to be blessed to be a blessing
- · How divine favor will manifest in every area of your life
- Practical keys to walking in the fullness of God's third-day blessings for you

Get ready for unprecedented manifestations of His grace and favor in every area of your life!

Before You Begin

These notes are designed to help you follow along with what our pastors and leaders have discussed in this session. If you haven't done so already, be sure to check out the session on the various platforms available:

- YouTube
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KEY POINTS

1. You can confidently pray and boldly ask of your heavenly Father in every season of life

Jabez was more honorable than his brothers, and his mother named him Jabez, saying, 'Because I gave birth to him in pain.' Now Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, 'Oh that You would greatly bless me and extend my border, and that Your hand might be with me, and that You would keep me from harm so that it would not hurt me!' And God brought about what he requested.

- 1 Chronicles 4:9-10 NASB

- Your personal requests to the heavenly Father are honorable, not selfish. Just as Jabez was considered more honorable than his brothers because he dared to ask, your bold prayers delight the Lord's heart.
- True prosperity from the Lord goes beyond material blessings. It is all-encompassing—spirit, soul, and body (3 John 1:2), and centered on Jesus. As you receive His blessings, you become His practical extension of grace to your community and beyond.
- Though Jabez's name meant "pain" and he was born in sorrow, he refused to be defined by it Instead, he boldly asked the Lord to bless him "that I may not cause pain." Don't let shame or unworthiness keep you from asking for His blessing. When you're struggling or causing pain, that's exactly when you need His blessing the most! His blessing has the power to transform what was once a source of pain into a testimony of His grace. Instead of trying to fix ourselves first or feeling too ashamed to approach the Lord, we can come to Him right in the middle of our mess. It's His blessing that transforms us and breaks those harmful patterns.

Are there specific areas in your life where you would like to see the Lord greatly bless you this year?

Additional Scriptures: Genesis 12:2, John 1:16 AMP, John 1:16 NLT, Philippians 4:19.

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2. Expect a greater measure of favor with the people who matter

Now it happened on the third day that Esther put on her royal robes and stood in the inner court of the king's palace, across from the king's house, while the king sat on his royal throne in the royal house, facing the entrance of the house. So it was, when the king saw Queen Esther standing in the court, **that she found favor in his sight**, and the king held out to Esther the golden scepter that was in his hand. Then Esther went near and touched the top of the scepter. And the king said to her, "What do you wish, Queen Esther? What is your request? It shall be given to you—up to half the kingdom!"

- Esther 5:1-3

- This year, ask the Lord for favor in your closest relationships, specifically with your spouse, children, and family members.
 His favor can transform even the most challenging relationships in your home.
- The favor of the Lord sets you apart without you having to strive. Just as Esther obtained favor in the sight of all who saw her, people will be drawn to the grace upon your life—not because of your abilities, but because of His presence with you.
- Divine favor makes you stand out for His glory. When the favor of God is upon you, even non-believers will be drawn to ask about the source of your peace, joy, and confidence. You become a living testimony that points others to Christ.
- Begin each day with this powerful truth: You are clothed with royal dignity and divine favor through Christ. Like Esther, who stood out not because of her own efforts but because of the Lord's favor, you, too, will shine with His radiance, drawing others to His goodness.

Take a moment to reflect on these questions:

- Is there anyone the Lord has recently placed in your path for you to be a blessing to?
- How can you extend His favor and be a source of encouragement, kindness, or provision to your loved ones, colleagues, neighbors, or even a stranger in need?

Ask the Lord to grant you open doors to share His love and grace in a tangible way.

Additional Scriptures: Genesis 39:21, Proverbs 3:3–4, Proverbs 8:35, Luke 2:52.

KEY POINTS

3. Your life is meant to overflow with the Lord's love and goodness to others

After two days He will revive us; on the third day He will raise us up, that we may live in His sight. Let us know, let us pursue the knowledge of the LORD. His going forth is established as the morning; He will come to us like the rain, like the latter and former rain to the earth.

- Hosea 6:2-3

- The greatest blessing we can experience in 2025 is greater intimacy with our Lord Jesus. When we experience revival in our personal relationship with Him, our eyes and hearts become completely full of His presence.
- From this place of closeness with Him, we naturally become carriers of His resurrection life. It first transforms us personally, then enriches our marriages with His presence. From there, it flows into our children and family members, extends into our workplace and community, and impacts our church family. As we carry His presence, each sphere of our lives is touched by His resurrection power.
- The Lord's love working through you brings transformation without condemnation. You are not called to stand against things but to stand for people—showing them the way home to the Father's house through your life.

What does living in intimacy with the Lord and walking daily in His sight mean to you

Additional Scriptures: John 15:4–5, Acts 19:11–12, Romans 8:11, Ephesians 1:19–20.