

THE STRENGTH OF WEAKNESS



II CORINTHIANS 12:7-10

**I. God blessed Paul
with weakness to save
him from conceit
(II Corinthians 12:7).**



- What reasons did Paul have to lift himself up in his own mind?
- How did his weakness save him from that temptation?
- How can our weaknesses save us from our temptations?

II. God said, "No!" to Paul's repeated request, to bless him with weakness (v.8-9).



- How do we feel when God lets us endure physical trials?
- How should we react when God tells us "No!"?
- What will help us see that God is blessing us with weakness?

III. We are more blessed by Christ's strength than by our own (v.9).



- How does our reliance on Christ make us stronger?
- What will happen to our depression when we think this way?
- How strongly do we desire to have Christ's power resting on us?

IV. Insults designed to attack us, allow God's strength to be displayed in us (v.10).



- What is it about insults that make us react so strongly?
- How will we act when we view our trials as opportunities to receive God's strength?
- When we remember to live for Christ's sake, what happens to our strength?

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-How can we help?