

The Power of Weakness

August 13, 2023 | 1 Corinthians 11:30-12:10 | Pastor Mike Foster

- Acknowledge the Reality of Weakness
- Understand the Purpose of Weakness
- Press into the Power of Weakness

GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. What are some ways strength is celebrated and weakness is frowned upon in our society at large?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 12:10. In your own words, explain what this means: “When I am weak, then I am strong.”
4. What are some temptations we experience in the midst of weakness? How can we guard our hearts from these temptations?
5. Would you say that you have a “thorn in the flesh”? If so, how has God used that “thorn” for his purposes?
6. Describe a time when you experienced God’s “sufficient grace.” What did this look like for you?
7. Who is someone you think of when you think of God “making his power perfect in weakness”? What is an example you have seen of this in someone else?
8. In practical ways, what would it look like to more fully embrace our weaknesses? Individually? As families? As a church corporately?
9. Read Philippians 2:5-11. What do we learn from Jesus’ example of taking on weakness?
10. Take some extra time to share your burdens and weaknesses with one another, and pray for each other.

FOR FURTHER REFLECTION

Read Psalm 18, Proverbs 3:34, Isaiah 40:28-31, 2 Corinthians 1:3-11, 4:7-10, Romans 8:22-39

Memorize 2 Corinthians 12:9

Read “Weakness may be your greatest strength”

– <https://bit.ly/weaknesstrength>

Read about God’s all-sufficient grace

– <https://bit.ly/allsufficientgrace>

Listen to “When I am Weak”

– <https://bit.ly/wheniamweak>

Listen to “Lord I Need You”

– <https://bit.ly/inedyoulord>

Listen to “Strength of my Life”

– <https://bit.ly/strengthofmylife>

Read *Grace* by Max Lucado

