

WEEK #11 (September 18th) • As We Transform...
The Lord's Power Is Made Perfect In Our Weaknesses
2 Corinthians 12:1-21

1. Why is Paul willing to “go on boasting” even though “there is nothing to be gained by it” (12:1)?
2. In your own words, summarize what Paul is revealing to these Christians in 12:2-6.
3. What is “the third heaven” (12:2) and how is it different from the first and the second?
4. While we cannot know for certain, can you think of some possibilities as to what the “thorn” of 12:7 might be?
5. “My power is made perfect in weakness” (12:9). Why would the Lord respond in such a way to the prayers of someone who is struggling with a “thorn”? What sense does this make?
6. “Therefore,” Paul writes, “I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me” (12:9). What does this mean and how does a disciple get to such a point in their maturity?
7. In your own words, summarize the path Paul had chosen “for the sake of Christ” in 12:10.
8. What is Paul communicating to the Corinthians in 12:11-21?
9. “For I seek not what is yours but you” (12:14). Practically speaking, what does this mean?
10. In what way was Paul fearful that God might “humble” him once more before these brethren on a future trip to Corinth (12:21)?