

Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions

Study Aid for the Sermon from June 3, 2012
Paul's Foolish Boasting
2 Corinthians 12:9-10

Observing the text

Read 2 Corinthians 12:9-10 carefully and make as many observations as possible.

What is the meaning of God's expression to Paul that "power is perfected in weakness?"

Whose power did Paul believe would be perfected in his weakness?

How did this belief impact Paul's boasting?

How did this belief impact his response to various afflictions?

What did Paul mean when he said, "...for when I am weak, then I am strong?"

Applying the sermon

What are the present afflictions in your life that you are actively asking God to remove?

In view of asking God to remove those afflictions and asking for His grace so that His power might be perfected in your weakness, how do you now view your afflictions?

Explain how Paul could say that when he was weak then he was strong.

How has having His grace poured out on you led you to boast in your weaknesses?

If you cannot say that when you are weak then you are strong, then immediately and humbly bow yourself before God's throne of grace, so that you might receive the grace that He wants to pour out on those who come to Him through Christ.