## **Sufficient Grace** *2 Corinthians 12:1-10*

Main Idea: The Lord's powerful provision of sufficient grace is made perfect in weakness.

## The Lord's sovereign hand graciously supplies for our good through weakness.

• 1 must go on boasting. Though there is nothing to be gained by it, I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. 2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. 3 And I know that this man was caught up into paradise—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— 4 and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. 5 On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses— 6 though if I should wish to boast, I would not be a fool, for I would be speaking the truth; but I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. 7 So to keep me from becoming conceited because of the surpassing greatness of the revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to harass me, to keep me from becoming conceited.

James 4:6-10

## The Lord's powerful provision of sufficient grace is made perfect in weakness.

• \*Three times I pleaded with the Lord about this, that it should leave me. \*But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. \*10 For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

o 1 Corinthians 4:10

## So What?

- Am I content with my weaknesses for the sake of Christ?
  - Philippians 4:11-13