

WEEK 10 | ONE PARADOX

Date: October 12, 2025

Verses: 2 Corinthians 11:13-33



SERIES INSIGHT

One Paradox is a walk through the book of 2nd Corinthians and the Paradox of the Cross. It leads us to live lives by Faith and not by sight. It challenges us to live according to what Jesus values, which is in contrast to the values of today's world. The question we'll wrestle with is this: what does the Cross mean to you?

ICEBREAKER

- What's the weirdest thing you've ever Googled
- What's one goal you are determined to achieve in your lifetime?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Review the Message.** Looking back at your notes and upon reflecting on this weekend's message, what was your one takeaway from Sunday?
2. **Read 2 Corinthians 11:16–21.** Why do we often feel pressured to project strength or success—even in our faith? What might it look like for you to “boast in weakness” this week?
3. Confess one area where you tend to hide weakness. Ask God to use that very area to reveal His strength and grace to someone else.
4. **Read 2 Corinthians 11:22–27.** How does Paul's definition of success challenge the world's (and sometimes the church's) definition? What would change if you measured spiritual success by faithfulness instead of comfort or results?
5. Identify one area where you've been chasing comfort over calling—what is a concrete step you can take this week toward obedience... even if it costs you?
6. **Read 2 Corinthians 11:28–29.** Who/what has God placed on your heart to care for deeply—even when it's draining or unrecognized? How can you carry that burden faithfully without growing bitter or weary?
7. Reach out to someone you've been spiritually responsible for—how might you encourage, pray for, or serve them intentionally this week?
8. **Read 2 Corinthians 11:30–33.** Why do you think God often works most powerfully through our humiliations or lowest moments? Can you share a “basket moment” in your life where God's grace carried you through?
9. Write down how God turned one of your lowest moments into a testimony. Share it with your group or someone who needs encouragement this week.

PRAYER

Share requests and celebrate praise reports. Take time for your group to pray for however long is needed.



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