

## WEEK 11 | ONE PARADOX

Date: October 19, 2025

Verses: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10



### 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

- You have to sing karaoke, what song do you pick?
- What would be the most surprising scientific discovery imaginable?

### 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 12:7-10.** What "thorns" in your life have you prayed for God to remove, and how might they actually be gifts meant to deepen your dependence on His grace?
3. Share one current struggle and reflect on how you could see it as an opportunity for God to display His strength rather than a reason for discouragement.
4. What does it practically look like for you to live as if God's grace truly is enough—in your relationships, work, or disappointments?
5. Identify one area where you've been relying on your own strength and this week choose to rest in God's sufficiency instead of striving for control.
6. Why is it so difficult for most people—especially men—to admit weakness? How can boasting in weakness become a testimony of real grace?
7. This week, be transparent with someone you trust about a personal weakness, and share how God's grace is at work through it.
8. How does surrendering your weakness actually release God's strength in your life? What might you need to surrender today to experience His power?
9. Pray specifically about one area where you need to stop fighting in your own power and invite the Holy Spirit to demonstrate His strength through you.

### PRAYER

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



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