



“The Supernatural”

Perfected in Weakness
II Corinthians 12:1-10

Serving Jesus has it’s:

I. Message – “I will say the truth” (vs. 1-6)

A message with:

- A. Illumination** – “I will come to visions...of the Lord”
- B. Interpretation** – “I will come to...revelations of the Lord”
- C. Infirmities** – “I will not glory but in mine infirmities”

II. Messengers – “lest I should be exalted above measure” (vs. 7-8)

Messages from:

- A. Scripture** – “through the abundance of the revelations”
- B. Satan** – “the messenger of Satan to buffet me”
- C. Supplication** – “I besought the Lord thrice”

III. Methodology – “when I am weak, then am I strong”(vs. 9-10)

A Method of:

- A. Grace** - “My grace is sufficient for thee”
- B. Gladness** – “Most gladly therefore ”
- C. Glory** - “will I glory in my infirmities”

Sentence Sermon

“Deny your weakness, and you will never realize God's strength in you.”

- Joni Eareckson Tada

Additional Verses

- **Hebrews 4:12**
- **Galatians 4:14-16; 6:11**
- **Job 1:8-12**
- **Mark 14:32-41**
- **Luke 23:43**
- **Acts 9:16**
- **II Corinthians 4:17**
- **Philippians 3:4**
- **Revelation 10:4**

Questions to Ponder

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
3. Why do you think Paul repeatedly emphasizes his discomfort with boasting?
4. Do you think the man Paul is talking himself in verses 2-4? Why?
5. What words do you think were forbidden to be spoken in verse 4?
6. How did Paul explain the reason for his “thorn in the flesh?”
7. How was Paul's infirmity a messenger of Satan?
8. What are some of your infirmities?
9. How does a person “glory” in their infirmities?
10. How would you summarize the teaching in this passage?
11. Can you share a time when God's grace was sufficient in your weakness?