

# SERMON NOTES

**PRAISE EVEN IN PAIN**  
2 CORINTHIANS 12:7-10 | MARCH 11, 2018  
SENIOR PASTOR  
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Intro:

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1. \_\_\_\_\_ that any and all struggle runs through the purposeful, sovereign hand of God. (7-8)

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2. \_\_\_\_\_ in the promise of His absolutely fulfilling investment in you, even in the midst of storm or personal collapse. (9-10)

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Conclusion:

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## WEEKLY READING PLAN:

**Monday, March 12 // Job 1:1-21**

*Blessed be the name of the Lord*

**Tuesday, March 13 // Psalm 77:1-20**

*I will remember His works*

**Wednesday, March 14 // Isaiah 40: 21-31**

*He gives power to the faint*

**Thursday, March 15 // Philippians 2:1-18**

*Hold fast the word of life*

**Friday, March 16 // 2 Corinthians 12:11-21**

*Willing Service*

## WEEKLY EVENTS:

*\*A full schedule is available on the final page of this bulletin.*

**AWANA (Pre-K - 4<sup>th</sup>)**

- This week is Mismatched Night!

**FUSE (5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>) / FUEL (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>)**

- Next meeting is March 14

**IGNITE (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>)**

- Next meeting is March 11

**RESONATE (18-22)**

- Next meeting is March 15

**AMPLIFY (23-30+)**

- Next meeting is March 22

# IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

KEY PASSAGE: 2 CORINTHIANS 12:7-10

Opening: What truths impacted you most from the sermon/scripture?

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1. Think of a difficult situation or “thorn” you have been dealing with recently.

a. What has made it so difficult?

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b. What has been your view of God as you deal with it?

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2. Read the following passages. What can you learn about God’s sovereignty:

a. Genesis 50:19-20

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b. Job 42:2

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c. Proverbs 16:9 & 33; 19:21

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d. Isaiah 46:9-11

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e. Romans 8:28

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# IMPACT GROUP QUESTIONS

3. What does it mean to “boast of your weakness” in tough times?

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4. How do the following scriptures help us approach our trials with the right mindset and in a way that honors God?

a. Hebrews 4:15-16

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b. James 4:6-10

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c. 1 Peter 5:10

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## LIFE APPLICATION

Based on what you have learned from the study, or from the sermon, what thing(s) do you need to go after? (i.e. How can I trust God in this particular struggle, I need to shift my focus from the problem to my sovereign God, etc.)