

This is a sample lesson  
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ing myself, there  
messenger of Satan  
to torment me—to keep me from exalting myself!

Concerning this I implored the Lord three times that it  
might leave me.

And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you

A. for my power is perfected

B. in weakness.”

C. Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about  
my weaknesses

X. that the power of Christ may overshadow me

C. Therefore, I am well pleased with weaknesses and  
with mistreatment, with distresses, with  
persecutions and with difficulties, for Christ’s  
sake;

B. for when I am weak,

A. then am I powerful

When two truths, such as a weak person who is weak and a strong person who is strong, are presented as a paradox (“when I am weak then I am strong”), The result is a third truth that overrides the first and second truths. This third truth is a divine truth. However, non believers cannot grasp this third truth. The unbeliever, being blind to spiritual things because his ways are controlled by Satan, looks on a scriptural paradox in frustrated bewilderment. Yet for believers this is a life changing principle to be applied by faith.

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