

## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>

*\*\*Last week's sermon & this homework can be found at [gbcmt.org/sermons](http://gbcmt.org/sermons) or on the GBC App*

### Prayer and Praise:

As a group, consider the gospel truth contained in 2 Corinthians 5:21. Spend some time discussing this verse and then praise the Lord for His truth!

After prayer, please continue praising God through song: #175 – *“Man of Sorrows, What A Name.”*

### Together in the Word:

1. Read 2 Corinthians 12:7–10. What was Paul's “thorn in the flesh” (v.7)?  
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2. Considering verse 7, how has the Lord used affliction and suffering in your life to humble you?  
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3. In v. 8, Paul took his troubles directly to the Lord. What do you think this practically looked like? And, when should we take our burdens to others in the church?  
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4. Relying only on context, write your own definition for the word “grace” as found in v. 9?  
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5. What are some of the spiritual resources that the Lord has given to us to enable us to preserve and overcome in trials?  
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6. Explain this statement by Pastor Bryan, “The suffering that humbles us in weakness and brings us to the end of our own resources becomes the means of releasing God's power in our lives.”  
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## THE SUFFICIENCY OF GOD'S GRACE

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Series #36

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“The Sufficiency of God's Grace.”** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. When it comes to the grace of God, do you live like the Collyer brothers?
2. What passage is the most emotionally charged portion of Scripture to flow out of Paul's heart and mind?
3. In what book do we see the mind of Paul?
4. According to Acts 18, Paul spent how much time with the Corinthian church?
5. How many letters did he write to the Corinthian church?
6. Is the situation Paul went through in relation to the Corinthian church a rare thing?
7. No disease is as painful as what kinds of things?
8. Most people who go to counselors are there because they have been what?
9. God humbles His children by means of what?
10. Paul is the only man in the New Testament to experience what?

11. How many times did the resurrected Jesus appear to Paul privately and personally?
12. What is a gift from God that we don't always cherish?
13. Satan never wants us to experience anything that will result in what?
14. What does the word "thorn" in verse 7 mean?
15. When Paul refers to the thorn he is probably referring to what?
16. It is possible that God left the "thorn" issue in general terms because of what reason?
17. God causes all things to work together for good and that even includes what?
18. God allowed this to happen to Paul to ensure that Paul wasn't what?
19. God is really and ultimately the only one to whom we can go in what?
20. Paul wanted relief so he did what?
21. Paul didn't bother trying to do what in relation to Satan?
22. God allows pain in your life to drive you to what?
23. God alone can provide what?
24. God promises that you will have trouble but He also promises what?
25. God doesn't skimp when he gives out what?
26. What should we notice in 2nd Corinthians 9:8?
27. When troubles come to you, do you turn to the broken cisterns of friends of Freud?
28. What does God perfect out of weakness?
29. Are you too strong to be powerful?
30. Paul would have made a lousy what?
31. It is doubtful that God can use any man greatly until He has first done what?
32. Do you want to be greatly used of God?
33. The Spurgeon story is a graphic way to grasp the inexhaustible resource of what?
34. Have you accessed the sufficient grace of God by entering into a right relationship with Him?