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Embrace the Breaking

Embracing the Power of Weakness

Philippians 2:5-7 CSB

5 Adopt the same attitude as that of Christ Jesus, **6** who, existing in the form of God, did not consider equality with God as something to be exploited.

7 Instead he emptied himself by assuming the form of a servant, taking on the likeness of humanity. And when he had come as a man,

Philippians 2:8-9 CSB

8 he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death—even to death on a cross.

9 For this reason God highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,

Philippians 2:10-11 CSB

10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee will bow—in heaven and on earth and under the earth—

11 and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

2 Corinthians 12:6-7 CSB

6 For if I want to boast, I wouldn't be a fool, because I would be telling the truth. But I will spare you, so that no one can credit me with something beyond what he sees in me or hears from me,

7 especially because of the extraordinary revelations. Therefore, so that I would not exalt myself, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to torment me so that I would not exalt myself.

2 Corinthians 12:8-9 CSB

8 Concerning this, I pleaded with the Lord three times that it would leave me.

9 But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is perfected in weakness.” Therefore, I will most gladly boast all the more about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may reside in me.

2 Corinthians 12:10 CSB

10 So I take pleasure in weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and in difficulties, for the sake of Christ. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

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