

— TEACHING POINTS —



3 times Paul begged God to take the thorn away, but God's answer is:

*“My grace is sufficient for you,
my power is perfected in your weakness.”*

The paradox of God's sovereign grace:

- The thorn was sent by Satan to torment and destroy (12:7)
- The thorn was allowed and used by God to keep Paul humble and showcase God's grace and power (12:7,9)

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“The thorn is a divinely appointed dart
to burst the bubble of our self sufficiency”

-Dennis Michelson

The value of the thorn:

- Inadequacy keeps us humble (James 4:6)
- Pain pushes us toward deeper dependency on Christ (Ps. 40:17)
- Weakness becomes fertile ground for God's strength (2 Cor 3:5)

What's your thorn?

- What do you feel most embarrassed by?
- What circumstances causes you to depend the most on Christ?

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