

STRENGTH IN THE WEAK MAN

I. Introduction

A. Opening Comments

B. “98 Pound Weaklings”

II. Objective- You can be strong in your weakness by emulating three “Weaklings.”

A. Weakling #1- Paul’s Strength in Weakness

- *(1 Corinthians 1:27; 2 Corinthians 6:4-10; 2 Corinthians 11:22-30)*
- But he said to me, "**My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.**" Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my **weaknesses**, so that Christ's **power** may rest on me. That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in **weaknesses**, in insults, in hardships, in persecutions, in difficulties. **For when I am weak, then I am strong.** *(2 Corinthians 12:1-10)*

B. Weakling #2- Peter’s Strength in Weakness

- And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have **suffered** a little while, will himself restore you and make you **strong, firm and steadfast.** To him be the power for ever and ever. Amen. *(1 Peter 5:6-11)*

C. Weakling #3- David’s Strength in Weakness

- My soul finds rest in God **alone**; my salvation comes from him. ... Would all of you throw him down - this leaning wall, **this tottering fence**? ... One thing God has spoken, two things have I heard: that you, O God, are **strong**, and that you, O Lord, are **loving.** *(Psalm 62:1-12)*
- When my spirit grows **faint** within me, it is you who know my way. *(Psalm 142:1-7)*
- They spread a net for my feet - I was **bowed down in distress.** ... My heart is steadfast, O God, **my heart is steadfast**; I will sing and make music. *(Psalm 57:1-11)*

III. Conclusion

A. Summary

B. Application

- Weak Man by Leeland
- Think about the weaknesses in your life; listen to these lyrics; and quietly sing the chorus as a prayer to the Lord asking for His strength to flow into you.