

# Personal Weakness Assignment

## Assignment:

Write about how you learned to have no sufficiency in yourself, the circumstances through which God taught you how incapable you are of ever pleasing Him, from 400-700 words.

## Purpose of the assignment:

- To formulate your own story of how God taught you to have no sufficiency in yourself.
- To share with others the glory of your human weakness – filled with Jesus.
- To identify the specific things God used in your life to bring you to an eagerness to trade all that you are for all that Jesus is.
- To place and to see Jesus inside every moment of all your difficulty, bringing you to where you see and know Him now.

## General guidelines for writing a Testimony of Weakness:

As you share, you are not listing your sins or exalting your failures. Rather you are providing the context through which you have come to know God in your heart because of abandoning yourself as a hopeless cause.

Be sure that everything in your paper develops and makes clear to your reader the union of weakness and Jesus, as you came to know through specific life circumstances.

Use my own post in the forum as a guide, not to rigidly follow, but to inspire and to help focus your thoughts.

## Specific directions for this assignment:

1. Think through the moments and circumstances of your life through which God brought you to no longer trust in your own ability to do what God says, that is to pretend that you were.
2. Formulate how you can share those things in about a page of writing.
3. Your paper is limited in size, therefore be selective in what to share; make every line count.
4. This paper is about God's dealings in your life through difficult circumstances, be sure to place Jesus into every moment of those difficulties.
5. When you are finished, edit your work. Then post it in the Connect Your Weakness to Jesus Discussion Forum.
6. After a few days come back to read what others have posted and to make scholarly comments on at least two other posts.

[Note: My example is just past twice as long as the assignment I have given you. Thus I do not expect you to go into as much detail or to write as extensively. The importance is on the quality of your recognition of those events and circumstances through which God brought you to no sufficiency in yourself, to abandoning yourself with all joy by calling Jesus your only self.]