Finding God’s Strength In Your Weakness

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Finding God’s Strength When You Are Falsely Accused:

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#1: He comforts us so we can comfort others

#2: He allows us to struggle to teach us how to rely upon Him and not ourselves
The Accusation Against Paul

• You said something that wasn’t true

• You are treating us lightly, like we don’t matter

• You made your plans in a worldly manner

You are serving yourself, not us, because you don’t really care!
Paul’s Defense of Himself

- I act in holiness (Inner)
- I act in sincerity (Outer)
- With God’s grace
- I Communicated clearly
- I wanted to spare you
- Don’t Lord it over you (don’t power up)
- I work for your joy
- I love you deeply
Paul’s Power For Living

*It ALL Comes From God!*

- God makes us stand firm
- God anointed us  
  
  \[1 \text{ Jn 2:27}\]
- God set His seal of ownership on us
- God put His Spirit in our hearts as a deposit  
  
  \[\text{Eph 1:13}\]
How Do You Respond When Falsely Accused?

- Examine Your Heart and Life
- Make Any Changes You Need To Make
- If You Haven't Made Any Mistakes, Clarify Your Actions