

The Insider – Chapter 10

1. Reminder: Men's Big Breakfast next Saturday @ 8:30am at the Riverside building
2. Share 2 Corinthians 5:17, Galatians 2:20, Romans 12:1, and John 14:21 with the guy sitting next to you.
3. As we have progressed through *The Insider* and the Bible, where have you felt or discovered that you are inadequate?
4. Read 2 Corinthians 11:16-29. (pg. 132-134) What is Paul talking about? Why?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 11:30-33. What does Paul ultimately boast in? If Paul had so many things to be proud of, why that? What is revealed in our weakness?
6. Read Acts 9:19-30. How was Paul received? Why was he received this way? How was his approach different in 2 Corinthians? Why was the 2 Corinthians method more effective? (See 1 Corinthians 2:1-5)
7. What advantages are there to exposing our weaknesses, hardships and difficulties? What Scriptures have you relied on when you feel weak or are facing hardship and difficulties? Why?
8. Read Hebrews 11:1. What is faith? (pg. 131, ". . . it isn't really faith until we get beyond what we can control.") Why is faith important to us? Why is our faith useful to God? (Remember Abraham and what God is doing)
9. Read 2 Corinthians 12:7-10. What is wrong with Paul? How does God respond? How is Paul stronger in his weakness? (The Message 2 Corinthians 12:10 says, "And so the weaker I get, the stronger I become.")
10. Read Paul's prayer for the Ephesians in 3:14-21. What does Paul pray for? How does what Paul prays for help the Ephesians accomplish what God desires?

Memorize 2 Timothy 3:16-17 for next week.