



LIKEWISE THE SPIRIT HELPS US IN OUR WEAKNESS. FOR WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT TO PRAY FOR AS WE OUGHT, BUT THE SPIRIT HIMSELF INTERCEDES FOR US WITH GROANINGS TOO DEEP FOR WORDS. AND HE WHO SEARCHES **HEARTS KNOWS WHAT IS THE MIND OF THE** SPIRIT, BECAUSE THE SPIRIT INTERCEDES FOR THE SAINTS ACCORDING TO THE WILL OF GOD."

1. THE DEPTH OF OUR WEAKNESS

WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT TO PRAY FOR AS WE OUGHT

"PRAYER UNVEILS FOR US THE DEPTH OF OUR WEAKNESS. FOR NOT ONLY ARE WE UNABLE TO BRING ABOUT WHAT WE ASK FOR, WE ARE NOT EVEN CAPABLE OF ASKING FOR THE RIGHT THINGS IN OUR OWN STRENGTH."

- Derek Thomas

2. THE SPIRIT WITH US

THE GREATEST CHAPTER

3. THE SPIRIT FOR US

"Our thoughts nevertheless continue OPPRESSED WITH DARKNESS, UNTIL THE SPIRIT GUIDES THEM BY HIS LIGHT...THE SPIRIT STIRS UP IN OUR HEARTS THOSE DESIRES WHICH WE OUGHT TO ENTERTAIN; AND HE ALSO **AFFECTS OUR HEARTS IN SUCH A WAY THAT THOSE DESIRES BY THEIR FERVENCY PENETRATE** INTO HEAVEN ITSELF."

- John Calvin

And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

SO TO KEEP ME FROM BECOMING CONCEITED BECAUSE OF THE SURPASSING GREATNESS OF THE REVELATIONS, A THORN WAS GIVEN ME IN THE FLESH, A MESSENGER OF SATAN TO HARASS ME, TO KEEP ME FROM BECOMING CONCEITED. THREE TIMES PLEADED WITH THE LORD ABOUT THIS, THAT IT SHOULD LEAVE ME. 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 of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities. For when I am weak, then I am strong.