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*Hebrews 4:12-16*

1. Undeserved

Grace is the unearned and un-earn-able favor that Jesus came to offer us.

*Isaiah 55:10-11; John 1:1-5*

2. Unconditional

*Hebrews 4:16*

3. Available

*2 Corinthians 12:9 (NLT)*

The grace of God is greater than our weakness.

How does weakness open the door to God's power?

How could you bring God into your situation rather than asking him to take you out of it?

*\*All scriptures are from the New International Version unless otherwise noted.*

## Small Group Outline & Discussion Questions

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### Celebrate and Care:

Have each person share a high and low from this past week.

### Review:

God's grace is greater than our weaknesses.

### Open Up:

If you were to win a Superlative Award, which one would it be?

- Most likely to reload the dishwasher after someone else tried, but did it wrong.
- Most likely to insist on exact details when hearing/telling a story ("It was actually 2:31, not 2:30").
- Most likely to be robbed because you leave your keys in the door.
- Most likely to have an "Essential Oil for that".
- Most likely to (you fill in the blank) \_\_\_\_\_.

### Discuss:

*Choose one or two questions for your group to discuss as time allows.*

- ▶ Is the idea of grace (the undeserved favor of God) an easy or difficult concept for you to understand and accept?
- ▶ Make a list of how our world could look different if people lived in the confidence that they cannot earn or lose God's grace, and understood that through Jesus, it is available to every single person without condition.
- ▶ How does knowing that God sees our inner most thoughts and motives and yet unconditionally extends undeserved kindness to us, affect how you interact with others?
- ▶ Read Philippians 1:7-14. How does this help you see suffering or weakness differently?

### Engage:

*Spend 1-2 minutes in silence with these questions then share your thoughts.*

Read 2 Corinthians 12:8-10. Think of one area of your life (one that is causing discomfort, pain, struggle, or suffering), and write it down. Now, ask God what it would look like for him to show up in this area, making His power perfect in your weakness.

### Pray:

*Lord, if my situation doesn't change, give me the grace I need to move through it, and in the process, may my life point others to Jesus.*