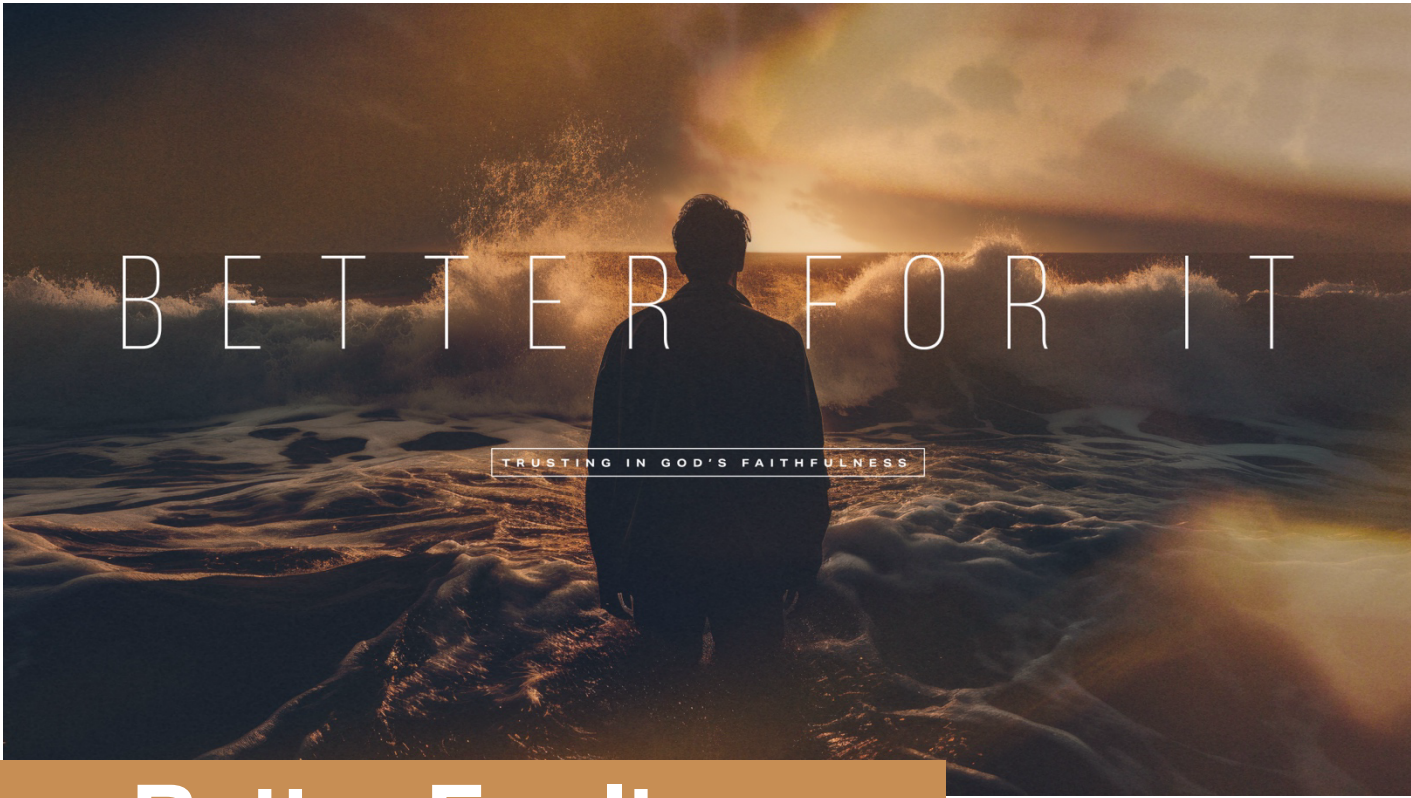


A person stands with their back to the camera on a path of clouds, looking up at a dramatic, golden sky. The title 'BETTER FOR IT' is written in large, white, serif capital letters across the top of the image.

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TRUSTING IN GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

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Week 2

Day 1: When You Don't Measure Up

Reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Paul's thorn in the flesh reminds us that unanswered prayer isn't always a sign of God's absence—sometimes it's proof of His presence. Like Paul standing before evaluators, unable to hit the right notes, we all face moments when our inadequacy is exposed. The world tells us to hide our weaknesses, but God invites us to embrace them. When we stop trying to prove our sufficiency and acknowledge our need, we create space for God's power to work. Your weakness isn't a disqualification; it's an invitation. Today, identify one area where you feel inadequate and ask God to display His strength there. Remember: His grace is sufficient, even when you're not.

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Day 2: The Comparison Trap

Reading: 2 Corinthians 10:12-18

Paul confronted those who measured themselves by themselves—an exercise in futility that still plagues us today. Social media has turned comparison into a constant companion, making us feel perpetually behind. But Paul reminds us that comparing ourselves to others is "ignorant." God hasn't called you to be someone else; He's called you to be faithful with what He's given you. The gap between who you are and who you think you should be often exists because you're measuring against the wrong standard. Stop looking sideways at others' highlight reels. Look upward to the One who created you with purpose. Your unique combination of strengths and struggles positions you perfectly for what God has planned.

Day 3: Redeeming Your Story

Reading: Genesis 50:15-21

Joseph's declaration—"You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good"—echoes through Paul's testimony of beatings, shipwrecks, and persecution. The same experiences that shaped you can be redeemed by God for His purposes. What was meant to break you can become the very thing that builds others up. Your painful past, your present struggles, your unanswered questions—none of it is wasted in God's economy. The father who abandoned you might position you to be the parent someone else desperately needs. The failure that humiliated you might become the story that gives someone else hope. Don't let bitterness steal the redemption God wants to bring. Ask Him today: "How can You use this for good?"

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Day 4: Strength in Surrender

Reading: 2 Corinthians 11:23-33

Paul's resume reads like a list of disasters, not accomplishments. Imprisoned. Beaten. Shipwrecked. Stoned. Hungry. Yet he "boasts" in these weaknesses because they showcase God's sustaining power. True strength isn't found in self-sufficiency but in surrender. When we exhaust our resources, we discover God's are limitless. The struggles you're facing aren't interruptions to God's plan—they're integral to it. Each hardship strips away another layer of self-reliance, making you more dependent on divine strength. This isn't weakness; it's wisdom. Today, stop fighting so hard to appear strong. Bring your weariness, your limitations, your struggles to God and watch Him work through what you cannot change. When you are weak, then you are strong.

Day 5: Your Weakness, His Purpose

Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:26-31

God deliberately chooses the weak, foolish, and lowly to accomplish His purposes—not despite their limitations, but because of them. Paul couldn't preach like Apollos, so he wrote letters that changed the world. Your inadequacies aren't obstacles to overcome; they're instruments God will use. Perhaps your painful past gives you empathy others lack. Maybe your limitations force you to depend on God in ways the naturally gifted never will. The very thing you've spent years trying to hide or fix might be exactly what God wants to use. Stop waiting until you're "enough" to serve God. You'll never be enough—that's the point. Let your weakness become the canvas on which God paints His strength. Your story isn't over; it's just beginning.