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SUBJECT: Out of Weakness,  
Strength

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OUT OF WEAKNESS, STRENGTH

adversity retreats  
loss by failing  
crushed by subtlety  
striving to conquer

ΣΚΟΛΟΦ - much heavier sorrow than the metaphor of a "thorn" might imply. A "thorn" - irritation, frig., etc. The word, a "stake": one of those hideous stakes on which cruel punishment of impalement used to be inflicted [to Assyrian, Babylonian before the Roman wars]. A tremendous torture. What was it? Do not know, will never know till heaven. But like unknown soldier, represents whatever torments, afflicts.

This - very much like our Lord in Thessalonians.

This - denied - argued strengthens Jesus  
great sufficient for Paul

The prayer: "I have prayed a thousand times" NO. just words.

- earnest, fervent supplication. ITAPAKADEW  
"to call alongside" "beset, entreat"

- definite answer. Definite request, definite  
answer. y. always no: NO, YES, WAIT ANOTHER

Addressed to Jesus. cf. Stephen Acts 7:59. A message  
from Satan: appeals to Jesus, in all points tempted  
like as we are. Come to destroy works of the devil.

"Εἰπὲ καὶ - perfect tense, "he hath said" Final word.  
the affliction remains, still with him as he writes.

ἀρκεῖ (ἀρκέω) - "is sufficient." Besides, all the way,  
through the days, now. Part trouble, yes; future trouble,  
yes; present trouble, yes. Have it already given. Not  
some far away magic, monstrous surprise.

"is sufficient." Without any limiting  
words. Equally abundant. "Not just a bare adequacy  
without a margin. Even ad laudes enough."

(a) Feely, p. 5, 190. Shirley "Two hundred fragments of breast  
is not sufficient for them, that very one? than may fail.  
little." Ossington says, "Bring to me the few small bones  
in pieces." Fairly dangerous. [person may gather up the fragments.]

(b) of a little girl in the Amazon river is about the supply of  
water. Amazon says: "Poor little girl, no stream is sufficient for the;  
of a little woman, days & years, the granaries of water. The  
granaries." my supply is sufficient for the. [Cicero, to Catilinus  
woman, should stand against wall above her. Hammer, beat out  
well, inside, with a hammer, rock crack in which lay  
across a little baby woman. Cicero would slightly answer.]  
of a man, breath so may catch full of oxygen a day. The  
sky: "my atmosphere is sufficient for me."

"Νόιος... μάλλον: most gladly (adv.) ... more (adv.)

His acceptance of God's denial, more than submission.  
Saintedness no state of gloom for a sorrowing heart comforted. . . .  
P. 119: 67, 71 "It is good for me that I have been afflicted."

Xópis, grace, favor, love.

"I am poor, but if thou dost will, for thy favor, most gladly . . ."

" " sick . . . . .

" " present  
cut down  
forsaken  
left alone

**ÉNOKH** - "to cover with a tent" of. Gen. 1:14 <sup>"dwelt"</sup> <sup>"tabernacled"</sup>  
the Shekinah glory of God.

"for my strength is made perfect in weakness."

TEBÉW - to print, to end, to achieve its purpose.  
of Heb. 2:10 "perfected through sufferings." TEBÉW. The  
strength of X to save his people man realized if not taken  
upon him the weakness human nature. Egypt had himself. Descended.  
Slept. Has he saved himself, not saved us. His gravity overcomes.  
Down - down - God is suddenly buried, on the cross of a felon, a  
shriveled corpse hanging on a cross, is the tomb among the dead.

The strength of the display is human weakness.

cf. of 12 kings and emperors, like Nebuchadnezzar and his  
calyps, with power, the sword, were used to Christ. . .  
But when 12 humble fishermen . . . God did it . . . without  
arms or arrows, put away a prophet, without a colossal system  
of men

(a) One of the factors is Jordan, feet to death is Smithfield and  
early morning before sun melted the frost. There stood around  
the rock a group of young people accustomed to listen to his  
teaching. Is early, very true? It is written, they went then to  
leave the way; as the water is how to die for the prophet  
nominally. The reality, the matay reaches the strength of the  
water.

The power of Alexander the Great - world conqueror  
The " " Demosthenes - inflammatory oratory  
The " " Caesar - really stupendous.

The power of Christ - is he nothing  
to cleanse  
to stop  
the fire around  
agony, sweet blood  
weakness, humiliations,  
self-abnegation

what God can do with nothing, nothing,

"If when I am weak, then am I strong."

The other may sound, "they strong, weak."

Some of you, a very少数, a very Solomon, a very Melchizedek

"I think can do all that is needful for your  
own salvation. Before all sorts of good works, at least  
enough to carry you to heaven. may admit a few years, faults,  
but so trifly as to be hardly worth mentioning. You almost too  
unwilling to be very particular. Sigh, they charity is far worse,  
as holds the saying cannot keep down, no sail next ready &  
out its houses, even with a most glorious, abundant  
entrance. In heaven, "We have washed... blood, but  
not you," Our robes were needed wash. Yet they  
the publicans, "unwilling to wear a surplice." <sup>bit as some</sup>  
But you, "not as the others."

Only when weak, humbled, made low, can be strong.  
There is a sad end in the power of his might. Consequently,  
weakness is an end in the power of his might. Consequently,  
admittedly weak, a weakness, a infirmity, that means our  
dearly dearest friend says but. To pray, to entreat, to ask for  
forgiveness, mercy.

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