



## Irresistible Church Training

For Disability Ministry

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# Biblical View of Disability

Understanding what Scripture says about disabilities and how God regards individuals affected by disability is an important piece of disability ministry. Consider the following Scriptures on this subject and check out the Joni and Friends Beyond Suffering materials.

### Scriptures on disability:

- Psalm 139:13-16 – *For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them.*
- 1 Corinthians 12:21-27 – *The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another.*
- John 9:1-3 – *As he passed by, he saw a man blind from birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be displayed in him."*
- Luke 14:12-14 – *He said also to the man who had invited him, "When you give a dinner or a banquet, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, lest they also invite you in return and you be repaid. But when you give a feast, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the just."*
- 2 Samuel 9 – the account of David and Mephibosheth

### Joni and Friends Beyond Suffering Materials:

- <http://www.joniandfriends.org/BYS/>