

***"The term 'inspirational speaker' is often overused. In [his] case, it fits because Paul exhibits the power of perseverance and positivity in the face of overwhelming challenges. Paul ... will move and entertain you with his extraordinary journey of life in a wheelchair."***

— Michael Davis, Founder of Speaking CPR

# PAUL ERWAY

## A Man of 50 Abilities and More

Paul Erway is proof that what some may define as a disability can become a reminder of your endless abilities and life's possibilities. A life-changing accident transformed the accomplished equestrian who was headed toward a successful career. He was left paralyzed from chest down and found himself at a pivotal crossroad, faced with the choice to let his disability stop him or help him harness the abilities he still had within his grasp. Even though he could no longer ride horses, he decided to forge a new path that took him across the nation and around the world competing as a wheelchair marathoner and helping others with along the way.

In 1990, Paul competed in the World Wheelchair Racing Championships in Assen, Holland, and in 2010 he competed in the Ōita, Japan Marathon, the pinnacle marathon for racing wheelchairs. In 2013 he embarked on the challenge of completing 50 marathons within the 50 US states with the goal of accomplishing them in 50 weeks. From that experience, he chronicled his many learnings in his book series, *50 Abilities, Unlimited Possibilities*.

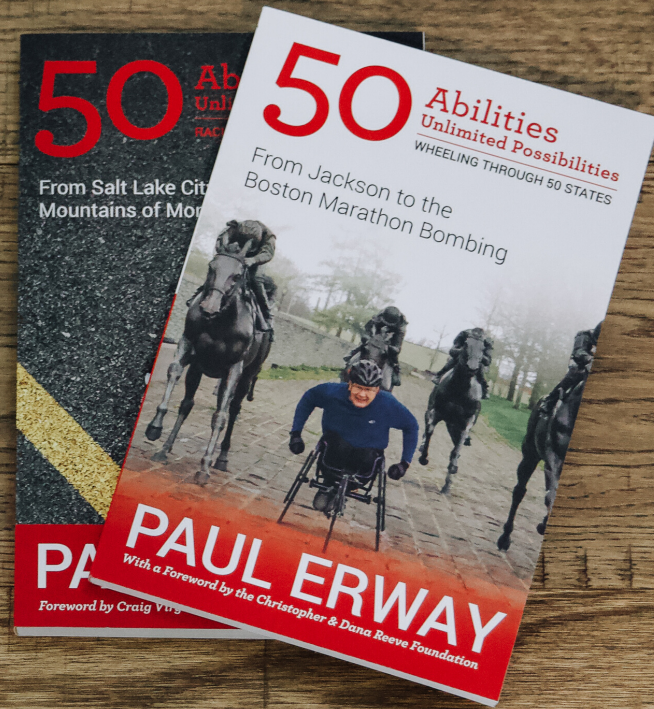
Paul now shares his stories of inspiration and hope with organizations, companies and groups across the US, leaving them motivated to embrace their unique abilities.





# A Book Series That Helps Unlock Your Endless Possibilities

What to one person might be debilitating is to Paul an avenue to new possibilities. In his book series, **50 Abilities, Unlimited Possibilities**, he invites you to see past your own struggles, daring you to believe that we are all full of abilities, not disabilities; pushing you to see life's possibilities, not limitations. Embark on a journey with Paul as he shares the story of himself and two other wheelchair racers as they set out on a bold adventures, attempting a feat of athleticism rarely paralleled as a team – taking on the challenge of 50 marathons in 50 states with the goal of 50 weeks. His journey is filled with grueling moments, surprising lessons, exhilaration of finish line after finish line, and stories of the amazing people he met along the way.



## Invite Paul to Inspire Your Group

A man of many talents, Paul's endless capacity for reinventing himself and inspiring others is the perfect complement to your group's upcoming conference, team meeting or continuing education program. Through the sharing of his personal experience, Paul's customized and interactive speaking engagements leave audiences with messages on:



**Resilience** — Leveraging challenges to help you become greater



**Growth** — Learning from your failures and building upon your successes



**Perseverance** — Redefining one's perspective focused on abilities and capabilities



**Forgiveness** — Moving past blame toward a path to deeper healing



**Empowerment** — Focusing on tangible ways to take control back when life feels like it's spinning out of control



**Purpose** — Knowing your why and living a life focused on it