

(sermon notes)

SURRENDERED . . . **in the Hands of the Potter**

*“But now, O Lord, You are our Father,
We are the clay, and You our potter;
and all of us are the work of Your hand.”*
-- Isaiah 64:8

Jeremiah 18:1-11

1) The Potter _____

“Can I not, O house of Israel, deal with you as this potter does?” declares the Lord. ‘Behold, like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in My hand, O house of Israel.’” (Jer. 18:6)

“Woe to the one who quarrels with his Maker— An earthenware vessel among the vessels of earth! Will the clay say to the potter, ‘What are you doing?’ or the thing you are making say, ‘He has no hands?’” (Isa. 45:9)

“You turn things around! Shall the potter be considered as equal with the clay, that what is made would say to its maker, ‘He did not make me’; or what is formed say to him who formed it, ‘He has no understanding?’” (Jer. 18:6)

“Know that the Lord Himself is God; it is He who has made us, and not we ourselves.” (Ps. 100:3)

2) The Potter _____

“Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.” (Gen. 2:7)



The Power of a Life Yielded to God

3) The Potter _____

“For You formed my inward parts; You wove me in my mother’s womb. I will give thanks to You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; ... Your eyes have seen my unformed substance; and in Your book were all written, the days that were ordained for me, when as yet there was not one of them.” (Ps. 139:13-16)

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations.” (Jer. 1:5)

“For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.” (Eph. 2:10)

4) The Clay can _____

“But the vessel that he was making of clay was spoiled in the hand of the potter....” (Jer. 18:4a)

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“...Everyone who names the name of the Lord is to abstain from wickedness....Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from these things, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified, useful to the Master, prepared for every good work.” (2 Tim. 2:19b,21)

“...let us lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us....” (He. 12:1)

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“...while it is said, “Today if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts....” (Heb. 3:15)

“Search me, O God, and know my heart.” (Ps. 139:23)

5) The Potter _____

“...so he remade it into another vessel, as it pleased the potter to make.” (Jer. 18:4b)

“If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (1 John 1:9)

“For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus.” (Phil. 1:6)