

# IN THE POTTER'S HANDS

Jeremiah 18:1-11

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## SCRIPTURE READING

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Jeremiah 18:1-11; Isaiah 45:8-12; Isaiah 10:5-15; Romans 9:18-23; Ezekiel 18:21-23; 33:11  
Hosea 8:7; 10:12-13; Galatians 6:7-8

## STUDY QUESTIONS

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1. How does it make you feel that God is the potter and we are the clay (18:3-6)? What does it practically mean for you to trust Him as your Potter? How are you personally responding to His shaping right now? If God has authority to reshape His people, how should CBC respond when He disrupts our plans or traditions? If God raises up and reshapes nations, how should a nation respond when He brings discipline?
2. If God were to evaluate CBC today, what might He want to tear down or rebuild (18:7-10)? Where might we be resisting His shaping? How can we cultivate humility and responsiveness to His correction? What would corporate repentance look like in CBC or your group? How does knowing God may “relent” (18:8) motivate your response?
3. How does this passage shape the way you think about the rise and fall of nations (18:7-10)? Where might God be warning or disciplining nations today? What signs of moral or spiritual drift do you see in our nation? How should we respond when our nation is heading in the wrong direction? What does true national repentance look like beyond politics or public statements?
4. Do we assume God’s blessing on CBC or the U.S. regardless of obedience? What are the dangers of spiritual complacency at a corporate level? How can we stay sensitive to God’s warnings instead of ignoring them? When have you seen or participated in corporate repentance? What role should prayer play in shaping the future of CBC and the U.S.?
5. How does this passage remind you that failure is not final? Where have you seen God bring renewal to a church, community, or region? Where has God reshaped something broken in your own life? What would it look like to trust Him to rework a difficult situation you’re facing now?

## RECOMMENDED READING

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Mark J. Boda, *“Return to Me”: A Biblical Theology of Repentance* (IVP, 2015)

D. A. Carson, *The God Who Is There: Finding Your Place in God’s Story* (Baker, 2010)

Kenneth Quick, *Body Aches* (Churchsmart, 2009)

John S. Dickerson, *Hope for the Nations: Standing Strong in a Post-Truth, Post-Christian World* (Zondervan, 2018)