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TEXT: Jeremiah 18:1-6
KEY VERSE: Romans 9:21

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Through the ministry of reconciliation, God transforms and restores people to mankind's created glory.

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God formed Adam from the dust of the ground	
as a beautiful vessel of	
honor unto Himself, but man fell into sin.	
Sin marred the human	
race, and mankind became a vessel that	
dishonored the potter.	-
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1) The Vessel <u>Made</u> .	
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Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold,	
he wrought a work on the wheels.	
(Jeremiah 18:3)	
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References:	
2 Timothy 2:20-21	
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All the works of	
God's hands are good.	
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Oh, that a person would allow God's purpose to be done in his life!
People struggle to shape their lives after their own ideals, ambitions, and goals, but even if they are successful, their achievements are in vain apart from God's divine purpose.

# References:

Romans 15:4-5

John and Charles Wesley's Mother said ...

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- 1) The Vessel Made.
- 2) The Vessel Marred.

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And the vessel that he made of clay
was marred in the hand
of the potter:
so he made it again another vessel,
as seemed good to the potter
to make it.
(Jeremiah 18:4)

Sin mars the vessel.

The marks of sin that have marred mankind began in the Garden of Eden.

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## References:

Genesis 3:15

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23 Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubim, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

(Genesis 3:23-24)

Don't be deceived by your emotions and feelings, walk by faith.

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God loves you.
You can be forgiven
and restored to
fellowship with God.
Every sin can be
washed away. Your life
can have new meaning,
purpose and worth.
You can allow God to
fulfill His plan in you.

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## References:

2 Corinthians 5:18-19

We have been reconciled unto God by Jesus' sacrifice at Calvary. Jesus Christ's death on the cross has made atonement for the sins of mankind.

For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. (1 Corinthians 15:22) 25 **Elizabeth Barrett** Browning's parents ... (From Illustrations for Biblical Preaching, p. 297) 26 26 **Forgiveness** must be given as well as received.

# Concluding Scripture:

Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual, restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted.

(Galatians 6:1)

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### God is ...

- 1) Too wise to make a mistake,
- 2) Too powerful to fail, and
- 3) Too loving to be unkind.

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