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We Are Clay In The Potters Hand

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Jesus is the potter and we are the clay. He can make us to be what He wants us to be in relationship to doing the will of God.

This scripture is true, however, looking at the otherside, life has produced people who, having come out of many hardships and not able to cope with life, can never quite grasp the truth of this.

Luke 4:18 "The Spirit of the Lord [is] upon Me, because He has anointed Me [the Anointed One, the Messiah] to preach the good news (the Gospel) to the poor; He has sent Me to announce release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to send forth as delivered those who are oppressed [who are downtrodden, bruised, crushed, and broken down by calamity]," AMP

There is wholeness in Jesus, in spirit, soul and body. When we are born again, that spirit is automatically made whole, complete without any defect, mar or scar at all. It, the spirit, is a new creature in Jesus Christ

We are made up of a spirit, soul and body. The soul being our mind, will and emotions. Our souls sometimes have been so crushed by adversities in life, some at an early age where we had no control and others by wrong choices made by us during the course of our lives.

Jesus brings wholeness to us in our soul, mind and emotions, along with the spirit of man.

God can take us as clay in His hands and bring forth a vessel that is no longer scarred or damaged, but is whole and complete.

Example given of Solomon, that he would use nature to teach him wisdom. Seeing how things could be changed and made into something better than they were.

Jeremiah 18:2-6 "2Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words. 3Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels 4And 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 5Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 6O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are ye in mine hand, O house of Israel." KJV

This is what Jesus can do with our lives. We are all capable of making wrong decisions, having scars of the past or being harassed by the enemy, but God can take us, the vessel or clay and remold us into something good, whole and complete.

The following is a summary of the teachings from Wednesday night services:

1 Cor 2:6-16 "6Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought: 7But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory8Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.9But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.10But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.11For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God.12Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God13Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.14But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned15But he that is spiritual judgeth all things, yet he himself is judged of no man.16For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him? but we have the mind of Christ." KJV

Taking the cover off so that things may be revealed to us. An example was given of knowing what the end of something is, by taking the covering off. (A potters wheel had been set up and a potter began to turn clay into a jar. A vessel was made and then dropped and the potter made a new vessel out of the lump of clay.)

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Rom 9:21 "Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour? " KJV

The Holy Ghost is a revealer of truth. Because of the blood Jesus shed, we know that we win.

Eph 2:10 "For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." KJV

Col 2:10 "And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:" KJV

Jesus is the potter, we are the clay. We are able to become the vessel that can be used, if we will allow Jesus to mold us into what He wants us to be, regardless of past circumstances. God is only limited to our ability to believe that He can put us back together. God is bigger than any sin that has happened to us.

Paul tells us in 1Corinthians 3 that we are Gods garden and that He can work with us anyway that He wants to. God will keep us good fruit and productive. But we must yield ourselves to Him. Trust is involved in this, we must give ourselves to Him.completely. We must listen to the Holy Spirit and be obedient to what we hear. Not questioning what may sound wrong to us. God spoke to Jeremiah and he was obedient to what he heard.

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Luke 4:16-19 "16And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. 17And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, 18The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, 19To preach the acceptable year of the Lord." KJV

Jesus is speaking to the church in the following scriptures. The church should be a spiritual hospital for the hurting to come. We have a divine appointment with the anointing of the Messiah. We cannot have excuses to what He wants us to do, we cannot let the "spirit of busyness" dictate to us. We cannot let "religion" keep us from doing His will and becoming dysfunctional. We must yield and trust ourselves to the Master Potter.

Isa 61:3-7 "3To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the LORD, that he might be glorified. 4And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations, and they shall repair the waste cities, the desolations of many generations5And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.6But ye shall be named the Priests of the LORD: men shall call you the Ministers of our God: ye shall eat the riches of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.7For your shame ye shall have double; and for confusion they shall rejoice in their portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them." KJV

Isa 61:3-7 "3To grant [consolation and joy] to those who mourn in Zion--to give them an ornament (a garland or diadem) of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, the garment [expressive] of praise instead of a heavy, burdened, and failing spirit--that they may be called oaks of righteousness [lofty, strong, and magnificent, distinguished for uprightness, justice, and right standing with God], the planting of the Lord, that He may be glorified. 4And they shall rebuild the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former desolations and renew the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations5Aliens shall stand [ready] and feed your flocks, and foreigners shall be your plowmen and your vinedressers.6But you shall be called the priests of the Lord; people will speak of you as the ministers of our God. You shall eat the wealth of the nations, and the glory [once that of your captors] shall be yours.7Instead of your [former] shame you shall have a twofold recompense; instead of dishonor and reproach [your people] shall rejoice in their portion. Therefore in their land they shall possess double [what they had forfeited]; everlasting joy shall be theirs " AMP

God wants to take all those who have been beaten down by the enemy, everything that life has done to them and raise them up and make them whole. He wants to show His glory in each of us. God never changes His mind, He is waiting for us to come in simple childlike faith and

humility and accept the forgiveness and receive the free gift of righteousness that He has given us and to display His glory in those that once were dysfunctional. He doesn't want us to remain dysfunctional.

We must make a divine exchange so that we may be used to rebuild and repair as described in Isaiah 61. He never takes back those gifts or calling from those He has called. We are all able ministers or priests of the Lord. Isaiah 61 "6But you shall be called the priests of the Lord; people will speak of you as the ministers of our God. You shall eat the wealth of the nations, and the glory [once that of your captors] shall be yours"KJV

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We have an appointment with the anointing of the Messiah but how do we walk it out? Renewing our minds, yielding to the will of the Lord. We will begin to learn what and who we are in Jesus. We must learn how to stand against the enemy, as we learn about Jesus, who became sin, so that we could be made the righteousness of God. Jesus won the victory for us.

Eph 2:6 "And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:" KJV

Luke 15 tells us how the prodigal son, began to realize his position in his father's house, what he had there and what he had given up to live in the world. His decision was to return to father's house and do whatever was necessary to go back. He had corresponding actions, returned home and was welcomed with no rebuke from his father.

If we want to be back with our Father, we must make a quality decision to return to Father's house, yielding ourselves to the Master Potter.

If we take one step toward Him, He will take two steps toward us.