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We are the Clay

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- **Isaiah 29:16** *"Surely you have things turned around! Shall the potter be esteemed as the clay; For shall the thing made say of him who made it, "He did not make me"? Or shall the thing formed say of him who formed it, "He has no understanding"?"*
- **Isaiah 64:8** *"But now, O Lord, You are our Father; We are the clay, and You our potter; And all we are the work of Your hand."*
- **Jeremiah 18:3-6** *"Then I went down to the potter's house, and there he was, making something at the wheel. And the vessel that he made of clay was marred in the hand of the potter; so he made it again into another vessel, as it seemed good to the potter to make. Then the word of the Lord came to me, saying: "O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter?" says the Lord. "Look, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are you in My hand, O house of Israel!"*
- **Romans 9:21** *"Does not the potter have power over the clay, from the same lump to make one vessel for honor and another for dishonor?"*

# A Vessel for Honor or Dishonor?

- **2Timothy 2:20-21** *"But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor. Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work."*
- **Matthew 13:1-9**
  - Do we bear responsibility for the kind of ground we are?
- **1Corinthians 3:10-15**
  - Saved through fire ~ Like the refining gold

# Refined in the Fire

- **Potter thumps the pot:**
  - If it sings ~ Its ready
  - If it thuds ~ Puts it back in the oven
- **1Peter 4:12-13** *"Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy."*
- **James 1:2-4** *"My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing."*