The King's Cup

NEHEMIAH 1:11

11. O Lord, I beseech thee, let now thine ear be attentive to the prayer of thy servant, and to the prayer of thy servants, who desire to fear thy name: and prosper, I pray thee, thy servant this day, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. For I was **the king's cupbearer**.

ACTS 9:15

15. But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is <u>a chosen vessel</u> unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:

BIRTH PAINS [65-0124]

Now, a--a glass is laying out in the chicken yard. You don't just pick that up and put on your table and fill it up with water or milk. No. By picking it up, is justification. Cleansing it, is sanctification, 'cause the Greek word sanctify is a compound word, which means "cleansed, and set aside for service." Not in service; for service. Then when you fill it, it is put in service.

JEREMIAH 18:1-6

- The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,
- 2. Arise, and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause thee to hear my words.
- 3. Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he wrought a work on the wheels.
- 4. 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.
- 5. Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,
- 6. O 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.

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Sometimes this Potter must take the vessel He is working on and thoroughly break it down in order that He may rebuild it exactly as He desires it.

ROMANS 9:20-21

- 20. Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed it, Why hast thou made me thus?
- 21. Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?

II TIMOTHY 2:20-21

- 20. But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.
- 21. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.

WHAT IS THAT IN YOUR HAND? [55-1120]

You got to be broke up before you can be remade. The prophet went down to the potter's house to get broke up, to get on the wheel and spun out something different. If you're a sinner, **get on the Wheel**. God will break you up, mold you different, shape your life up different, shape your home life different.

II CORINTHIANS 4:6-7

- 6. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
- 7. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

REVELATION CHAPTER FOUR PT3 [61-0108]

It's not a man today; it's the Holy Ghost working through a man, or men, see, that does the work. It's not the man; **the man's just a vessel**, see, but the Holy Ghost is the Oil that's in that vessel.

II KINGS 4:1-7

- 1. Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets unto Elisha, saying, Thy servant my husband is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the LORD: and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen.
- 2. And Elisha said unto her, What shall I do for thee? tell me, what hast thou in the house? And she said, Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house, save a pot of oil.
- 3. Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, even <u>empty vessels</u>; borrow not a few.
- 4. And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt pour out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full.
- 5. So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out.
- 6. And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son, Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her, There is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed.
- 7. Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest.

PERFECT STRENGTH BY PERFECT WEAKNESS [61-1119]

See what God wants? God's got to have <u>empty vessels</u>. Listen. We've had so much doctrine, so much ecclesiastical nonsense, until we're down at the end of the barrel. There's only one thing left: turn to God and His Word. And if you'll do that, get some empty vessels.

PSALM 81:10

10. I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.

PERFECT STRENGTH BY PERFECT WEAKNESS [61-1119]

If God can just get **empty vessels**, and then take the Word of God and pour It into the person.

PERFECT STRENGTH BY PERFECT WEAKNESS [61-1119]

That's what God wants this morning, to bring Him a bunch of **empty vessels**. He'll take care of the rest of it.

PERFECT STRENGTH BY PERFECT WEAKNESS [61-1119]

...God's strategy is to take empty human vessels and shake the world with them...

ISAIAH 64:8

8. But now, O LORD, thou art our father; we are the clay, and thou our potter; and we all are the work of thy hand.

RECOGNIZING YOUR DAY AND ITS MESSAGE [64-0726M]

Let the great Potter take that vessel now and mold it into a vessel of honor.

THE HEALING OF JAIRUS' DAUGHTER [55-0227E]

...we present ourselves as empty vessels, that the Holy Spirit would fill now for the service of God.