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WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

On the Potter's Wheel



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WEEK 6: *Empowered by the Potter* Session Guide

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I. Earthenware Essentials

*“I praise you because I am **fearfully** and wonderfully **made**; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.” – Psalm 139:14, NIV*

II. Deal with Destructive Debris Deliberately

“They are brought to their knees and fall, but we rise up and stand firm.” – Psalm 20:8, NIV

III. Per the Potter: A Few “Can Do’s”

“His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.” – 2 Peter 1:3, NIV

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WEEK 6: *Empowered by the Potter* Growth Opportunity

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Day 1: In our sixth session, we addressed the 'strength' that God avails to earthen vessels; a strength that comes from a "*treasure*." What is the "*treasure*" 2 Corinthians 4:7 (noted above) refers to?

Write out 1 Corinthians 1:18. _____

What do you glean from this passage about the power of God? _____

Share how it impacts you that the power you have as a vessel **is from God**, and not dependent upon anything you possess or 'bring to God'—not your knowledge, intelligence, resourcefulness, finances, family heritage, works, friends, or your Christian involvements.

In light of this Truth, are you aware of any assumptions or 'works-oriented' behaviors you have relied upon that need to be laid down? _____

We'll end today with Romans 1:16-17, which I encourage you to write out: _____

What good news! And what a treasure Jesus is for all who invite Him into their heart to be their Savior! The treasure of God's Son, Jesus, dwelling within our earthly earthen vessels—incredible!

Day 2: Let's begin today with another look again at Romans 1:16-17. Take a few moments to think about this question: Have you ever felt 'ashamed of the Gospel'? (Remember Romans 8:1, that there is 'no condemnation' for those who are in Christ.) _____

If so, what contributed to your feeling ashamed? _____

What does Romans 8:32 state? _____

Is there Truth that needs to be applied to your thoughts or your heart regarding whatever stirred in response to feeling ashamed? _____

It is God's desire that you are set free from any feelings of condemnation, shame, and anything that is contrary to the Truth of the Gospel.

It is my hope that you will feel as emboldened as Paul did regarding the reality of the good news of the Gospel in your life, for it is this reality that offers you forgiveness, cleansing, and reconciliation for eternity with the holy God who loves you with an everlasting love! Jeremiah 31:3! Hallelujah!

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes." – Romans 1:16, NIV

Day 3: This week we're considering the 'power' that comes forth in our lives as a result of the treasure of Christ dwelling in us. What does Ephesians 3:16 state regarding God's power?

"I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being." – Ephesians 3:16, NIV

Isn't God tender to empower our fragile frames—these earthen vessels—with His very Spirit? As God's vessels, how are we impacted by the reality of His Spirit dwelling within us?

"But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you." – John 14:26, NIV

God does not leave us to fend for ourselves. He empowers, equips, instructs, and convicts us through His very Spirit. We'll end today with 2 Peter 1:3. I encourage you to write out your response to this precious passage, and to end your time today in prayer to *Yatsar*, the Potter who formed and fashioned you, and provides for you all you need as His vessel!

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Day 4: In our session together we addressed the reality of Spiritual warfare. I have provided you with Ephesians 6:10-18 below. Satan desires to render you, as God’s vessel, ineffective. He wants you to believe that you are unlovable, unusable, flawed beyond repair, defeated... his whispers are all lies! Remember who you are, and Whose you are!

John 1:12 _____

Romans 5:1 _____

Ephesians 1:5 _____

Colossians 1:14 _____

Colossians 2:10 _____

Romans 8:1 _____

Philippians 1:6 _____

Take your stand, dear sister! You are God’s workmanship, His precious vessel; dress yourself accordingly from your head to your heart to the tip of your toes, and stand firm in His Truth.

“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.” – Ephesians 6:10-18, NIV

Day 5: Today we'll pause our pace and prioritize the sweet embrace of Ephesians 3: 16-19. This is a wonderful passage.

“I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.” – Ephesians 3:16-19, NIV

As we wrap up our sixth week of study “On the Potter’s Wheel,” based on this passage of Scripture, what does the Master Potter desire for you, His precious workmanship, to grasp and truly take to heart?

“I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.” – Psalm 139:14, NIV

What does this say about God’s works? About you?

We’re going to end this week with a passage I’ve referenced several times in our study together: Ephesians 2:10. May it be a passage you pause in, take to heart, and praise your Creator in regards to, for it is indeed TRUE!

“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” – Ephesians 2:10, NIV

Thoughts, reflections, Truth to take to heart:
