



## Sermon Notes

### **Jeremiah 18:1–6 (ESV)**

<sup>1</sup>The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD:

<sup>2</sup>“Arise, and go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.”

<sup>3</sup>So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel.

<sup>4</sup>And the vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as it seemed good to the potter to do.

<sup>5</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to me:

<sup>6</sup>“O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter has done? declares the LORD. Behold, like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel.

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**(Answer key located on the last page)**

## **INTRODUCTION:**

No matter what happened in 2025, God has a \_\_\_\_\_ waiting for you in 2026.

### **1. NEW POSITIONING: Getting in the Right Place**

**Scripture:** Jeremiah 18:1-3

God told Jeremiah: " \_\_\_\_\_, and go down to the \_\_\_\_\_."

If you want to experience God's new beginning, you have to \_\_\_\_\_ yourself in the right place.

**Application:** Identify one specific \_\_\_\_\_ you need to position yourself for God to work on you. Write it on your calendar and tell someone who will hold you \_\_\_\_\_.

### **2. NEW PERSPECTIVE: Seeing How God Works**

**Scripture:** Jeremiah 18:4

The vessel was \_\_\_\_\_ in the potter's hand, and he reworked it into another vessel.

God does NOT \_\_\_\_\_ you away!

**Application:** Every time you think "I'm too broken," say out loud: "God doesn't throw away \_\_\_\_\_ people. He \_\_\_\_\_ them."

Your mistakes don't \_\_\_\_\_ you—  
God's \_\_\_\_\_ does.

### **3. NEW PURPOSE: Trusting God's Plan**

**Scripture:** Jeremiah 18:5-6

"Like the \_\_\_\_\_ in the potter's hand, so are you in my \_\_\_\_\_."

**Supporting Scripture:** Ephesians 2:10 — "For we are his \_\_\_\_\_, created in Christ Jesus for \_\_\_\_\_ works."

**Application:** Identify one area where you've been \_\_\_\_\_ God instead of trusting Him.

Pray daily: "God, I'm the \_\_\_\_\_, You're the \_\_\_\_\_. Have Your way."

### **PERSONAL REFLECTION:**

1. What area of my life feels "spoiled" or broken right now?
2. Where do I need to position myself consistently so God can work in my life?
3. What have I been fighting God about that I need to surrender?

### **NEXT STEPS:**

- Watch or rewatch the sermon recording: <https://bit.ly/4ayOhjR>
- Join a L.Y.F.E. group or Bible study this month
- Set daily alarm for 15-minute morning prayer time
- Memorize the Key Verse (Jeremiah 18:4)

## Answer Key

**INTRODUCTION:**

Fresh start

**1. NEW POSITIONING:**

Arise | potter's house | position  
|place | accountable

**2. NEW PERSPECTIVE:**

spoiled | reworked | throw |  
broken | remakes |define | mercy

**3. NEW PURPOSE:**

clay | hand | workmanship | good  
|fighting | clay | Potter

**The Good News**

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, (Romans 5:1)

**The Bad News**

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,  
(Romans 3:23)

**The Ugly News**

For the wages of sin is death, ... (Romans 6:23a)

**The Great News**

... but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
(Romans 6:23a )

**Guess What?**

You can become a Christian right now and experience salvation and the gift of eternal life through God's Son the Lord Jesus Christ! Simply Pray this Prayer Right Now! **“God thank you for Jesus Christ who died on the cross for my sins. Thank you for receiving what Jesus did for me on the cross as**

**payment for my sins. Please forgive me for my sins. Right now I accept Jesus into my heart and ask that he become my Savior and Lord!**

**Amen!”**

If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. (Romans 10:9–10)

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