



*Welcome to  
Rehoboth New  
Life Center*

*Sunday  
May 22<sup>nd</sup> 2016*

# *The Dimensions of the Image*



“The Breadth” Knowledge

“The Length” Patience

“The Depth” Love

“The Height” Faith

Ephesians 3:17 That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,

18 May be able to comprehend with all saints **what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;**

*Ephesians 4:13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:*

# *In his Image & Likeness*

## Part 3

### The Marred Image



Jeremiah 18:4 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.

# *Man: Adam, Gods highest creation!*



Man IS Gods highest creation!  
Genesis 1:27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

*1 Corinthians 11:7 For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, forasmuch as **he is the image and glory of God:***

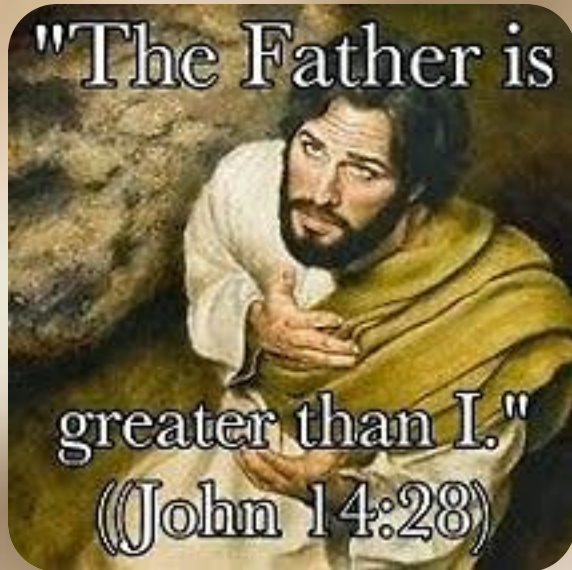
# What does “made in his image mean”?



Genesis 5:3 And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son **in his own likeness, after his image**; and called his name Seth:

When Seth was born, He had human attributes, because he was in Adams likeness and image. In time he would grow to have the same abilities in general as his father. In time he became a fully grown son of man.

# *Adam & Eve were created to be like God*



No created being can actually be God's equal, but man was created to be as close to God as was possible.

We were created to be the  
**GODS OF THIS EARTH**

*Psalms 82:6 ¶I have said, **Ye are gods**; and all of you are children of the most High.*

*John 10:34 Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, **I said, Ye are gods**?*

# *The Vessel for Glory ?*



*Psalms 8:3 ¶When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained;*

*4 What is man,*

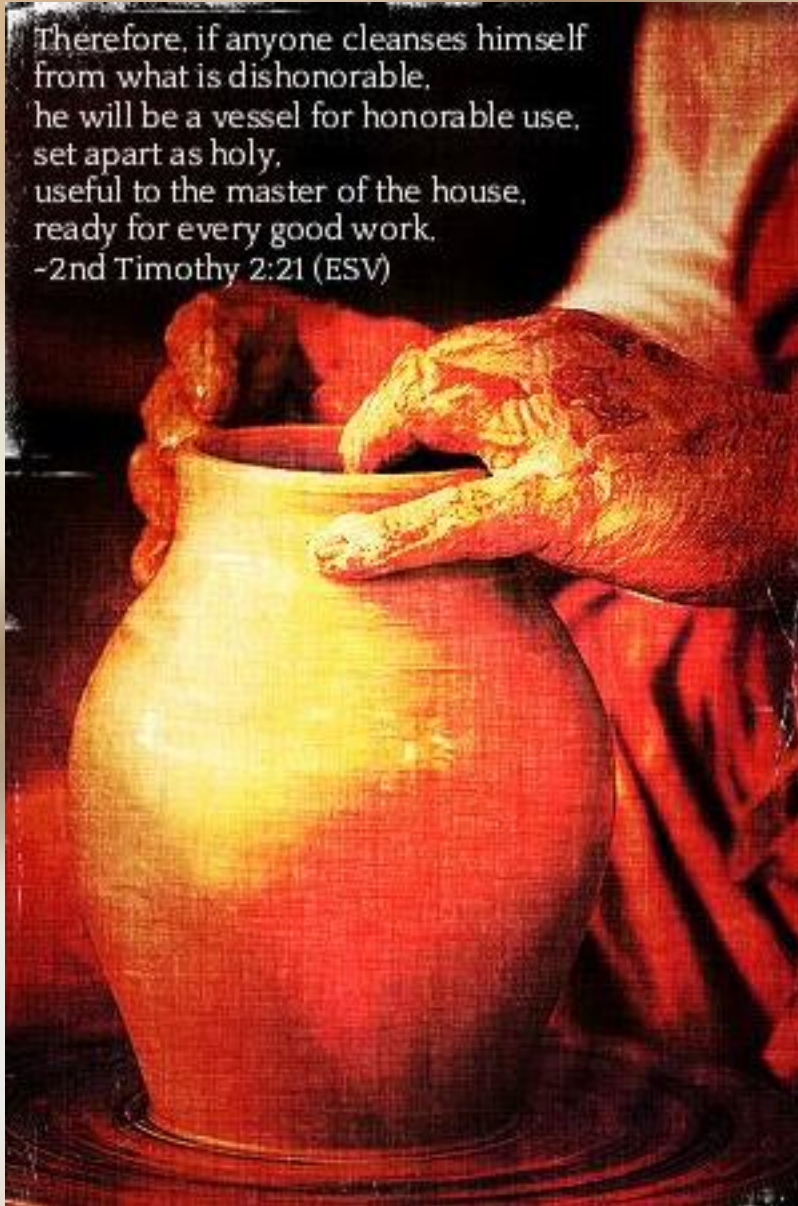
*Psalms 8:4 What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him?*

*5 For thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour.*

*6 Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet:*

# *The weakness of the earthen vessel*

Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.  
-2nd Timothy 2:21 (ESV)



2 Corinthians 4:6 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.

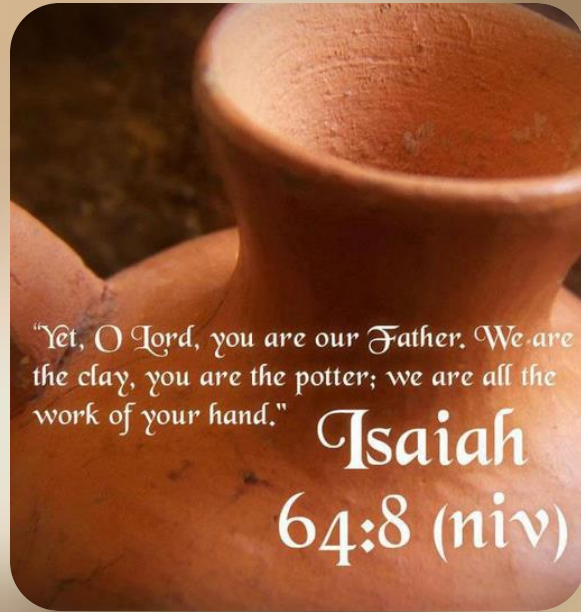
7 **But we have this treasure in earthen vessels,** that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us.

8 ¶ We are troubled on every side, yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

9 Persecuted, but not forsaken; cast down, but not destroyed;



# Wrong image!



Romans 9:19 Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will?

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?

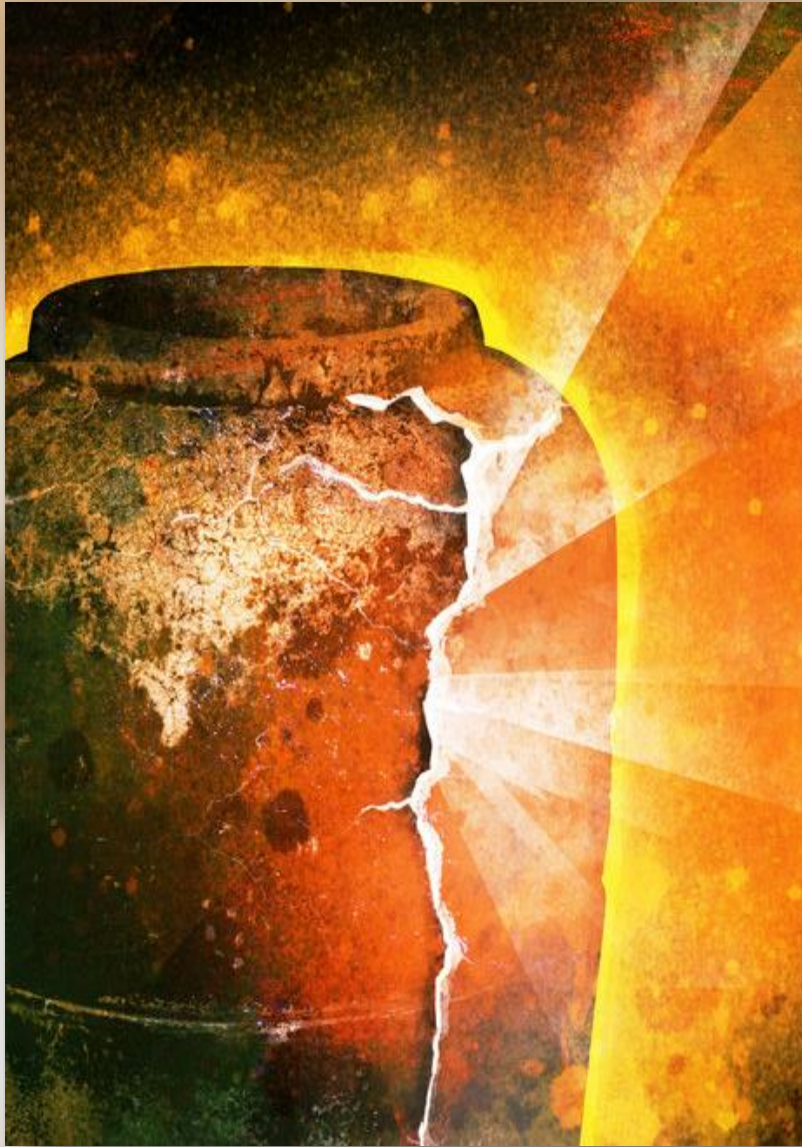
22 What if God, **willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction:**

23 And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory,

24 Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

*Luke 9:54 And when his disciples James and John saw this, they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? 55 But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. 56 For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them. And they went to another village.*

# *The vessel created for destruction?*



Jeremiah 18:1 ¶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.

# *Marred in the potters hands ?*

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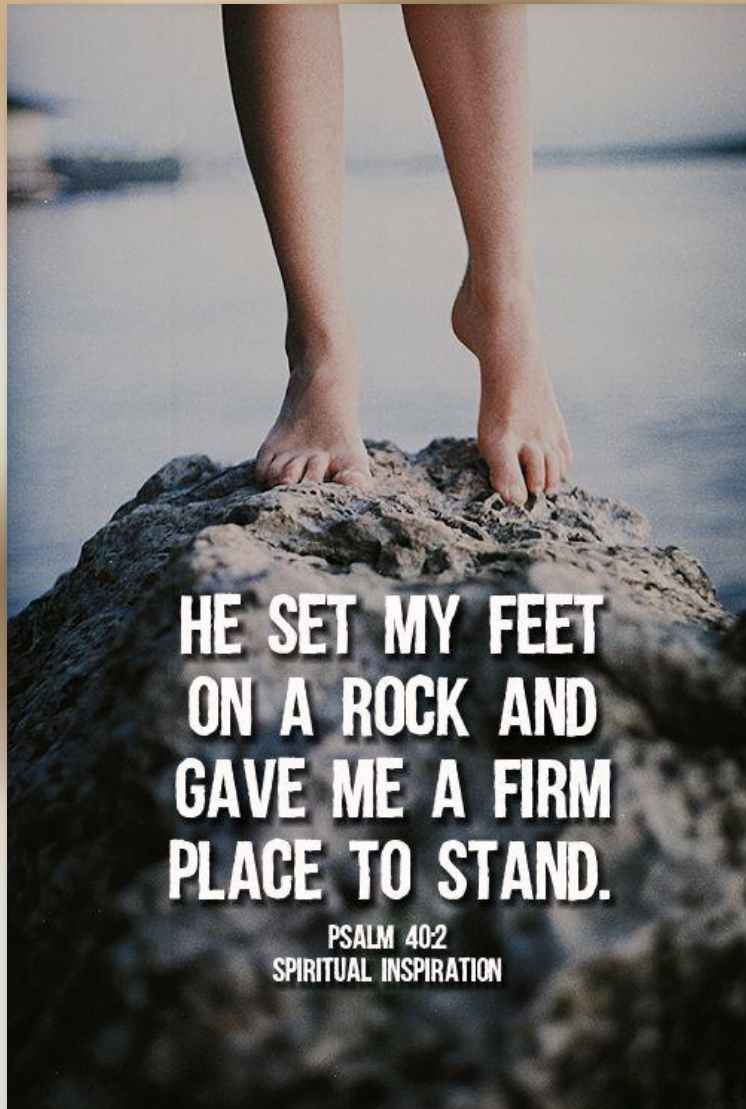


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Jeremiah 32:14 Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Take these evidences, this evidence of the purchase, **both which is sealed, and this evidence which is open;** and put them in an earthen vessel, that they may continue many days.

# *The Image restored*



- Psalms 40:2 He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, **out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock,** and established my goings.
- Jeremiah 18:4 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.**

# *The substitutionary image*



Hebrews 2:6 But one in a certain place testified, saying, What is man, that thou art mindful of him? or the son of man, that thou visitest him?

7 Thou **madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour,** and didst set him over the works of thy hands:

8 Thou hast put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him. But now we see not yet all things put under him.

9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.

# *In HIS likeness and Image*



- 2 Corinthians 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that **we might be made the righteousness of God in him.**
- 2 Corinthians 3:18 But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord.