

Small Group Study Guide, Week of February 22, 2026

Jeremiah 18-19, "The Rights of the Potter," Pastor Tim Cho

Ice Breaker: What arts/crafts do you like to do? How do you handle "happy little accidents"? (Bob Ross-ism for "mistakes")

Dig:

1. Read 18:1-10 and 19:1-4,10-11. What lessons do you see God illustrating here through the "potter"? The "clay"? The Valley of Hinnom? From your own experience with clay and/or pottery, what most impresses you about these illustrations?
2. From 18:11-17 and 19:3-15, what specific warnings does God deliver through Jeremiah? Why?
3. In 18:18, how do the people respond? In 18:19-23, Jeremiah reacts by complaining to God. What is his complaint? What does he want God to do? Why?

Apply:

4. How might you incorporate the potter and the clay illustration into a spiritual conversation with someone you know? What do you hear God saying to you through this illustration?
5. What complaint(s) do you have with God right now? How honest have you been with Him about your complaints? How honest have you been with yourself? What insights do you take from Jeremiah related to your own complaints with God?

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