

Sermon Notes

“Being Shaped on the Way” (Jer 18:1-12; Eph 3:20-21) Aug 23, 2020

Theme: God shapes and pressures us into vessels that please Him.

➤ Are churches winning the battle to form believers?

➤ The Potters House (18:1-3)

The Potter

The clay

The wheel

➤ Types of vessels (8:4)

1) Marred

2) “Best to Him”

God has a design *for* you that is not *about* you

Fail is not final when you are in the Potters hands

➤ The church is His vessel (18:5-12)

Small Group Discussion:

- Who or what is the greatest influence in your life? Media? Money? Success? Parents? Friends? Are you conforming to the world or being transformed by the Lord?

- In your identity as the clay, are you shapeable? Are you soft and malleable, or are you resistant and unyielding? Take a moment to evaluate your heart.

- How has God been revealing you his plan for your life? Can you see a person emerging that seems “best to Him”? Have you found your value in the what the Potter is making?

- In what ways does God want to re-work you to remove what is still marred? Are you willing? What life-circumstances is God using to apply pressure to shape and mold you into His image?

- The context God uses for formation is the church. Are you connect? Accountable? Involved? Do you believe it is the ‘fullness of Christ’ and the means of Good New to the world?
