



Unit 10, Lesson 38

TODAY'S EPIC STORY: THE POTTER'S HOUSE

JEREMIAH
18:1-12

THE STORY HOME

Jeremiah was another of God's prophets. In the Epic story that we learned about this week, God told Jeremiah to go down to the potter's house so Jeremiah did as God directed. As Jeremiah watched the potter, he noticed how he would shape a pot, and then smash it if it was messed up and begin again. God told Jeremiah that God could do the same thing to His people—build them up and make them great if they repent of their sin and tear them down if they are disobedient. God told Jeremiah to tell the people that disaster was going to come if they didn't turn from their evil ways, but the people continued to be stubborn and follow their own ways instead of obeying God.

PARENTS & KIDS QUESTIONS:

- How do you think a potter feels when a vase he has been working on cracks or breaks in his hands?
- What do you think God wanted the people of Israel to do? Why?
- How are we like clay in God's hands?
In what ways are we NOT like clay in God's hands?
- How do you think God feels when people are stubborn and try to follow their own plans instead of God's ways?

TOGETHER HOME

Use some clay or Play-Doh to shape a bowl or a vase. If you want, roll your clay into a ball then roll it on a table to make one long rope. Then coil the rope around itself to shape a bowl. Talk about what you do when the object you are making doesn't turn out quite right or gets broken. How is God like the potter? What does God want to do with us if we'll let Him?

BIBLE MEMORY HOME

"Then I heard the voice of the LORD saying, 'Whom shall I send?'...And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'" (Isaiah 6:8)

Use great expression to say this verse together. Perhaps use a regular voice for the narrator, a deep booming voice for God, and a higher small voice for the words of Isaiah. Take turns practicing the verse with lots of enthusiasm.

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