

Series: Unusual Blessings, # 3

Treasure in Clay Pots

2 Cor. 4, 5, 12

What things can keep you from losing heart? 4:1

Why is serving God a privilege, not a burden?

Why is a plain clay pot an apt description of believers in Jesus? 4:7

What is the treasure within our 'vessel'?

How can we focus on the eternal in the midst of our daily lives? 4:18

When Paul says, "We must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ" 5:10, what kind of motivation does that give a believer?

Why was Paul given a 'thorn in the flesh'? 12:7

Are you disturbed that Paul says God allows Satan to afflict us?

How might others have interpreted Paul's afflictions?

When the Lord said to Paul: 'my grace is sufficient for you' 12:9, what grace is he referring to?

How can God's power be perfected in weakness?

What are some positive and negative responses to suffering?

1) What weaknesses do I struggle with? Do I really accept Paul's proposition that they can be seen as blessings from God?

2) How can I see God using my weakness to bless others?