

Questions on Jeremiah Chapter 18

1. Where was Jeremiah to go? (v. 2)
 - a. What happened to the potter's vessel and what did the potter then do? (4)
 - b. Who did the potter represent? (v. 6)
 - c. Who did the marred or ruined vessel represent? (v. 6)
 - d. Paul uses the pottery illustration in Romans 9:20-23 *to make what point?*
2. Jeremiah 18:7-10 contains a great message regarding the balance between God's sovereignty and man's free agency. What does God always allow humans to do?
 - a. What does God take no pleasure in? (Ezek. 33:11)
 - b. What does God not want to happen to anyone? (2 Pet. 3:9)
 - c. What does God want all people to do? (1 Tim. 2:4)
3. However, what plan does God devise against people if they refuse to repent? (Jer. 18:11; 2 Pet. 3:10)
 - a. Sadly, what "plans" did the people of Judah have? (v. 12)

4. Jeremiah cites the constancy of the snow caps of Lebanon and the streams that continually run down the mountains to illustrate the oddity of Judah doing what? (see vs. 13-15) (generally, in v. 13 and specifically in v. 15)
 - a. As we saw in 6:16, verse 15 of this chapter speaks of roads. What were they to ask for and do according to 6:16?
 - b. Which (wrong) “roads” did they choose according to 18:15?
5. How would passers-by react to what they saw after the Babylonian invasion? (v. 16)
6. To what behavior did Jeremiah refer when he asked, “Shall good be repaid with evil?” (v. 20)
7. As we have seen before to a lesser degree, what reality does Jeremiah seem to fully accept in verses 21-23?
8. What had Jeremiah’s people done that caused him to accept this need for God’s punishment? (22-23)