

# Go Down to the Potter's House

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Jeremiah 18:1–7

## Have you ever been hurt?

**Luke 17:1 NKJV**

<sup>1</sup> Then He said to the disciples, “It is impossible that no offenses should come, but woe *to him* through whom they do come!

The \_\_\_\_\_ of the hurt is far less important than the \_\_\_\_\_ in our life.

How we respond to hurts is \_\_\_\_\_ to the way we live our life from that moment on.

The same boiling water that \_\_\_\_\_ an egg \_\_\_\_\_ a potato

# Process of Drying and Firing Clay in a Kiln:

1. Atmospheric \_\_\_\_\_ (taking all the moisture out of the air)
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (Where chemically combined water in the clay is driven off & a chemical change happens so that it can no longer be reconstituted into moldable useable clay)
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (Sulfates and Carbon are burnt out of the clay)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Inversion (where the quartz crystals actually rearrange)
5. Vitrification (Final step that fills spaces with glass and is now \_\_\_\_\_ to water)

We \_\_\_\_\_ a new heart

We MUST give up the old, hurt & scarred heart - \_\_\_\_\_

## Scar Tissue is:

1. Uni-directional - It has no complimentary \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_ - It no longer moves normally
3. Does not have \_\_\_\_\_ of its own - It does not feel correctly on its own, but can cause pain elsewhere

## Proverbs 17:3 **ESV**

<sup>3</sup> The crucible is for silver, and the furnace is for gold, and the Lord tests hearts.

These valuable substances need to get \_\_\_\_\_ before they yield up the impurities \_\_\_\_\_ of them.

## Just One Thing:

Since you don't have to - Don't live one more day with a \_\_\_\_\_ heart. Instead, let Jesus give you a heart transplant through \_\_\_\_\_ surrender to Him & His ways.

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## Questions:

1. Which of the 50 United States have you been to, even if just through the airport?
2. What did this week's sermons reveal to you about the areas, of your heart & life, that God molding, squeezing, and wanting access to most right now?
3. Read James 5:13-15 and Job 42:10. What do these passages tell you about the power of prayer? What does it take to pray for, or to receive prayer from, the very people who may have hurt you?
4. What concrete step(s) will you take this week to allow God to give you a new and soft heart?