Vessels of Mercy unto Honor and Glory, Grains of Wheat, and Branches of the Vine

Monday 11/23

Rom. 9:21, 23
21 Or does not the potter have authority over the clay to make out of the same lump one vessel unto honor and another unto dishonor?

23 In order that He might make known the riches of His glory upon vessels of mercy, which He had before prepared unto glory,

Gen. 2:7
7 Jehovah God formed man with the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul.

Acts 9:15
15 But the Lord said to him, Go, for this man is a chosen vessel to Me, to bear My name before both the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel;

Matt. 25:2-4, 8-9
2 And five of them were foolish and five were prudent.
3 For the foolish, when they took their lamps, did not take oil with them;
4 But the prudent took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

8 And the foolish said to the prudent, Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.
9 But the prudent answered, saying, Perhaps there will not be enough for us and for you; go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.

Isa. 57:15
15 For thus says the high and exalted One, Who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: I will dwell in the high and holy place, And with the contrite and lowly of spirit, To revive the spirit of the lowly And to revive the heart of the contrite.

HWMR: *The Believers (1) - Week 7, Day 1*

Tuesday 11/24

2 Tim. 2:20-22, 2, 15
20 But in a great house there are not only gold and silver vessels but also wooden and earthen; and some are unto honor, and some unto dishonor.
21 If therefore anyone cleanses himself from these, he will be a vessel unto honor, sanctified, useful to the master, prepared unto every good work.
22 But flee youthful lusts, and pursue righteousness, faith, love, peace with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

2 And the things which you have heard from me through many witnesses, these commit to faithful men, who will be competent to teach others also.

15 Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, an unashamed workman, cutting straight the word of the truth.

Judg. 9:9
9 But the olive tree said to them, Shall I leave my fatness, because of which God and men are honored by me, and go to wave over the trees?

1 Sam. 2:30
30 Therefore Jehovah the God of Israel declares, I surely said that your house and the house of your father would walk before Me forever; but now Jehovah declares, Far be it from Me; for those who honor Me I will honor, and those who spurn Me will be lightly esteemed.

Zech. 4:11-14
11 Then I answered and said to him, What are these two olive trees on the right of the lampstand and on its left?
12 And I answered a second time and said to him, What are the two olive branches that are by the side of the two golden spouts, which empty the gold from themselves?
13 And he spoke to me, saying, Do you not know what these are? And I said, No, sir.
14 And he said, These are the two sons of oil, who stand by the Lord of the whole earth.

HWMR: *The Believers (1) - Week 7, Day 2*

Wednesday 11/25

2 Cor. 4:6-7
6 Because the God who said, Out of darkness light shall shine, is the One who shined in our hearts to illuminate the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God and not out of us.

2 Cor. 3:18
18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

Acts 7:2
2 And he said, Men, brothers and fathers, listen. The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham while he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Haran,

Eph. 1:17
17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the full knowledge of Him,

1 Cor. 2:8
8 Which none of the rulers of this age have known; for if they had known, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory;

1 Pet. 4:14
14 If you are reproached in the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you.

Col. 2:9
9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily,

HWMR: *The Believers (1) - Week 7, Day 3*

Thursday 11/26

John 12:24-26
24 Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless the grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it abides alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.
25 He who loves his soul-life loses it; and he who hates his soul-life in this world shall keep it unto eternal life.
26 If anyone serves Me, let him follow Me; and where I am, there also My servant will be. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him.

Luke 12:49-50
49 I have come to cast fire on the earth, and how

I wish that it were already kindled!
50 But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how I am pressed until it is accomplished!

1 Cor. 15:31, 36
31 I protest by the boasting in you, brothers, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily.

36 Foolish man, what you sow is not made alive unless it dies;

2 Cor. 4:12
12 So then death operates in us, but life in you.

HWMR: *The Believers (1) - Week 7, Day 4*

Friday 11/27

Col. 1:10
10 To walk worthily of the Lord to please Him in all things, bearing fruit in every good work and growing by the full knowledge of God,

John 13:34-35
34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another.
35 By this shall all men know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.

John 14:6
6 Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

John 21:15
15 Then when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these? He said to Him, Yes, Lord, You know that I love You. He said to him, Feed My lambs.

2 Cor. 5:4
4 For also, we who are in this tabernacle groan, being burdened, in that we do not desire to be unclothed, but clothed upon, that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

2 Cor. 13:14
14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

1 John 1:3
3 That which we have seen and heard we report also to you that you also may have fellowship with us, and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

HWMR: *The Believers (1) - Week 7, Day 5*

Saturday 11/28

John 15:1-5, 9-10, 16-17
1 I am the true vine, and My Father is the husbandman.
2 Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes it away; and every branch that bears fruit, He prunes it that it may bear more fruit.
3 You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.
4 Abide in Me and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me.
5 I am the vine; you are the branches. He who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit; for apart from Me you can do nothing.

9 As the Father has loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love.
10 If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love; even as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love.

16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you, and I set you that you should go forth and bear fruit and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give you.
17 These things I command you that you may love one another.

HWMR: *The Believers (1) - Week 7, Day 6*

Lord's Day 11/29

2 Kings 4:1-7
1 Now a certain woman from among the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha, saying, Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared Jehovah. And the creditor has come to take my two children to himself as servants.
2 And Elisha said to her, What shall I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in your house? And she said, Your servant has nothing at all in the house, except a jar of oil.
3 And he said, Go and borrow vessels outside, from all your neighbors, empty vessels, and not just a few.
4 Then go in and shut the door behind you and your sons, and pour out into all those vessels; and each one you fill set aside.
5 So she went away from him and shut the door behind herself and her sons; and they brought the vessels to her, and she poured out into them.
6 And when she had filled the vessels, she said to her son, Bring me another vessel. But he said to her, There is no other vessel. And the oil stopped.
7 And she went and told the man of God. And he said, Go and sell the oil, and pay your debt; and you and your sons can live off the rest.

Matt. 5:3
3 Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of the heavens.

Isa. 66:1-2
1 Thus says Jehovah, Heaven is my throne, And the earth the footstool for My feet. Where then is the house that you will build for Me, And where is the place of My rest?
2 For all these things My hand has made, And so all these things have come into being, declares Jehovah. But to this kind of man will I look, to him who is poor And of a contrite spirit, and who trembles at My word.

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Further Reading
Perfecting Training, ch. 22

Churchwide Truth Pursuit
Crucial Point: ***Christ—the One Cursed and Hanged on a Tree***
Scripture: *Deut.* ***21:22-23***
Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Deuteronomy, msg(s).* ***18***
Supplemental Reading: *Life-study of 1 Peter, msg. 21*
Study Questions: *See the church website at churchinnyc.org/bible-study*