

(The Roots of Endurance in Christian Witness, Part 2— 2 Corinthians 4:7-12)

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

- What is Paul trying to emphasize by calling us jars of clay? How does this inform how we view humanity? How does this differ from what the world has to say about humanity?
- What is the treasure that believers carry?
 How does God's choosing to fill jars of clay with his treasure impact our lives today?
- How does Paul encourage believers in verses 8-10?
 What is the purpose of our suffering and weakness?
 What does it look like for us to suffer for Christ's name sake?
- Do unbelievers in our lives know about the treasure we hold?
 How can we bring the light of Christ to unbelievers around us?
- Is there anything that particularly stood out to you from the sermon?



FAMILY QUESTIONS

 Does Jesus promise that the Christian life will be easy? Why do we follow Jesus even when it is really hard?

 How can we take time during the holidays to show people the love of Jesus?

WEEKLY PRAYER

- Our Men & Women in Uniform
- Michael & Stacy Creech, Ethnos360 Asia Pacific
- Bob Kuhlow, Elder
- Josiah Rocke, Director of Administration
- SWAT, Senior High Students, and their classes/teachers
- · Cross Walk Church, Appleton
- Those who do not yet have a personal relationship with the Lord Jesus (Col 4:2–4)

SCRIPTURE MEDITATION

We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies.

2 Corinthians 4:8-10 (ESV)