BROKEN VESSELS

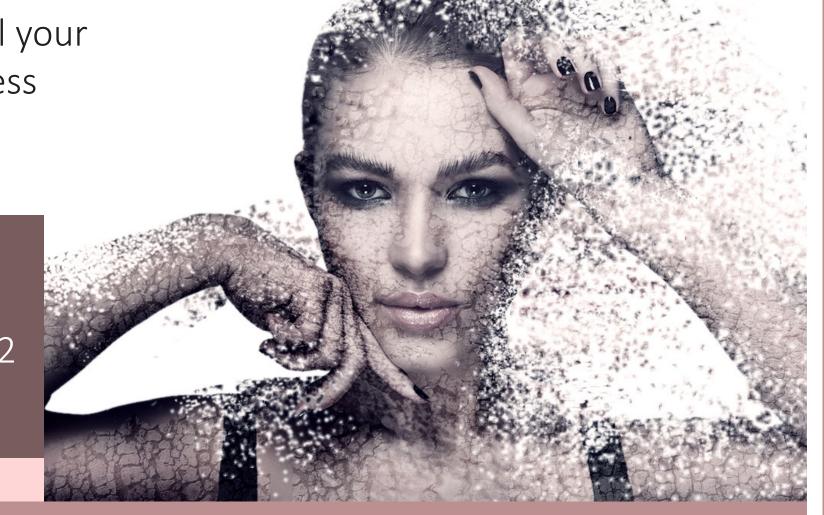
MESSAGES FROM GOD TEACHINGS- by Adriana Chereches

Let God heal your brokenness

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Romans 9:22

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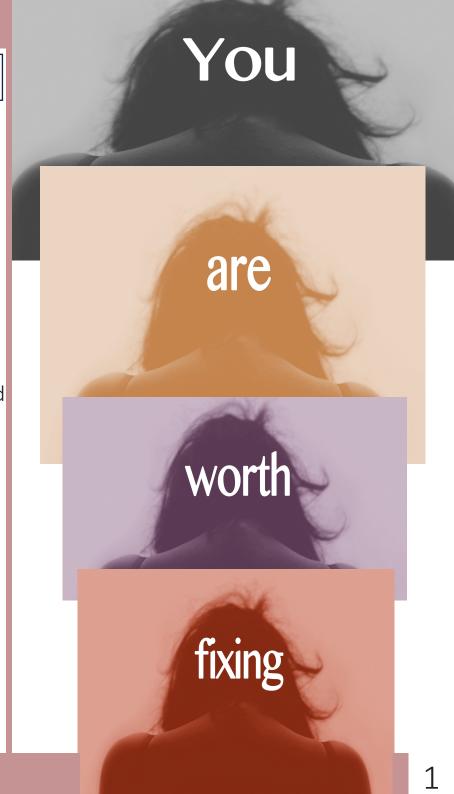
DAMAGED BEFORE WE MET GOD

For a moment, I want you to imagine a broken vessel (or a broken pot) lying on the floor, with all its small damaged pieces shattered and departed from one another. We cannot do anything with a broken vessel. We cannot find a use for it. Its destiny is to be thrown away. Maybe some of us, who have more patience, would try to fix it, taking every piece one by one and try to glue them back together. But if you were to glue the damage back together, would the vessel look as beautiful as it did when it was new and unharmed? No, it won't be as beautiful as it was before the damage. Despite the strength of the glue, it still remains weak and vulnerable to even more damage in the future. So, in the end up, we will end up throwing it away despite making our best effort to heal what was damaged.

But is it worth fixing a broken vessel?

When faced with this question, our immediate answer might be: "No! Sticking all the pieces back together will take too much time and too much work!"

We might also say "It's not worth the effort because the end result will not be satisfactory. It's better to throw the broken vessel away".



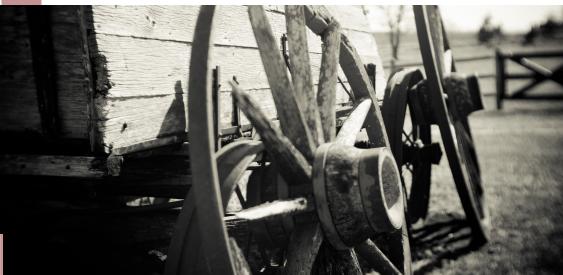
THE TRUTH REVEALED

But did you know that there was and still is someone that did not, and does not give up so easily when He sees a broken vessel? This person is God and the broken vessel is our Soul. He sees the vessel from another perspective and He knows that vessel apart from every other vessel that ever was, that exists today and ever will be.

He knows you and the potential you have in you, because he created you to be great.

No matter how broken your vessel is and what harm has come its way, God can fix anything! He can shape you into something wonderful, into a masterpiece.

God is the Potter and we are the clay.



I need you Lord everyday

PURPOSELESS BEFORE GOD

We were all broken vessels before getting to know God. Our lives were just pieces. The sin had taken control over us and destroyed everything that was good in us. We were good for nothing. We were not able to do something meaningful with all our broken pieces. We did not have a clue on how to even begin to put our lives together so that we can live a life filled with p u r p o s e

BUT GOD, from Heaven, saw how miserable we were. He saw our brokenness and made a decision, to send His only Son to fix our broken vessels. John 3:16 says: "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Did you get that? He loved the WHOLE world, that includes you.

God sent Jesus Christ because He loves us, because He saw that we have departed from the purpose He created us for. Jesus laid Himself down and took every single piece of our lives and put them back together with love and patience to give us a glorious future. All this wonderful work was done on the cross, for you and for me. In Romans 5: 8, we can see that "God demonstrates His own love towards us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." It was a work of love and sacrifice. Jesus died for you and me to be able to inherit the life, the real life.

JESUS CAN TRANSFORM US

Now that we understand this sacrifice of love, we should know that we can be transformed from broken vessels into beautiful vessels, from "vessels of wrath" into "vessels of mercy". The Word of God says in Romans 9:20 that there are two categories of vessels: the first category is formed the vessels of wrath made for destruction and the second category is formed by vessels of mercy made for the We were all vessels of wrath, because "all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). Our destiny was: DEATH! "For the wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23 a)





JESUS RECONCILED US WITH GOD

Jesus was sent to change this destiny. He was sent to fix our broken vessel and to reconcile us with our Father. "For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son" (Romans 5:10) Without God in our lives we continue to be broken vessels and our destiny will be death and destruction.

Sin is the cause of all this damage. It broke your life into pieces and departed you from God, from the glorious plan that He had for you. Need more convincing? In the first part of Isaiah 59:2, it says that "your iniquities have separated you from your God".

THIS IS HOW TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE

You can change your destiny! How? The first step is to recognize that you are a broken vessel and that you need help to put your life back on track. The second and final step is to let Jesus into your life. He will fix your brokenness once and for all. He will transform you into a vessel of mercy, using you for His glorious purpose. God has invested in you. He gave His only Son for the redemption of your brokenness. Let Jesus fix your vessel. Say this prayer of reconciliation with us to let Jesus into your life and be reconciled with God, your Heavenly Father:

(Repeat out loud)

"Lord,

take this heart of mine and fix it. Help me to be a vessel of mercy prepared for your glory! Forgive me for all the things I have done wrong in the past. I want to turn away from sin and begin a new life with you as my savior and friend. I want you to come into my heart and cleanse me from all impurities. I want you to mold me into a beautiful vessel. I want you to transform me into a masterpiece. I want you to give me a life filled your purpose for me. I know it is not your will for me to be broken or to be idle. I want you to deliver me from a life filled with sin once and for all. I want to have eternal life. In Jesus name I pray.

Amen"

If you have said this prayer along with us we want to wish you a big **CONGRATULATIONS!**

You, who was previously a broken vessel has now just received the gift of salvation and healing to your brokenness!



WHAT NEXT?

1. SET YOURSELF UP TO SUCCEED

Now that you have accepted the offer from God, do not let sin back in your life. That might mean turning away from certain people or certain situations that will cause you to sin again. As a child of God, you need to keep your vessel in a good state as the Potter made it to be. Remember that God did not make you for destruction but to inherit the blessing! 1 Thessalonians 5:9 says: "For God did not appoint us to wrath but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ". God loves you and you are precious in His Eyes.



2. ALWAYS REMEMBER WHAT GOD HAS BROUGHT YOU THROUGH

Remember that you are no longer a broken vessel. God fixed you! Act as a vessel of mercy! You have a lot of potential because God Himself has invested in you! Make yourself available to Him and He will use you in a special manner for His glorious purposes. Be what God wanted you to be from the very beginning!

3.GET UNITED WITH YOUR FELLOW BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

We would love to meet you and help you to continue to walk successfully on the spiritual journey you have just begun. If you said the prayer of reconciliation, we want to give you a big welcome and congratulations hug! Pop in and see us during our Sunday Service from 11am at All Nations Church Northampton. Our address is 38-40 Kettering Road, Northampton, NN1 4AH. Come and share with us how God has fixed the broken areas of your life. We would love to help you become a better you!

THANK YOU FOR READING!

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