

Clay

Oasis: Self-Guided Prayer

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This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ² “Go down to the potter’s house, and there I will give you my message.” ³ So I went down to the potter’s house, and I saw him working at the wheel. ⁴ But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him.

⁵ Then the word of the LORD came to me. ⁶ He said, “Can I not do with you, Israel, as this potter does?” declares the LORD. “Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, Israel.

Jeremiah 18:1-6

We too are God’s workmanship, the clay in God’s hands. We are constantly being shaped and pressed into God’s image.

Press the Play-Doh in your hand. Feel how easily it gives way to the pressure of your fingers.

Are you easily molded?

Is there something in your life God is working out in you? Is there an area where you find yourself resisting to His Spirit? Talk with God about this area as you press into the Play-Doh. Ask to be made flexible and easily moldable.

Roll this Play-Doh up in a ball. Gently press your thumb into it. Examine the fingerprint impression you left. As God is working in your life His fingerprints are all over you. Your heart, your mind, your soul, and when you impress on others you are leaving His fingerprints on them through you.

What kind of fingerprints are you leaving?

Prints of kindness, compassion, empathy, respect?

What kind of impression do you want to have on the world?

As you are pressing into the Play-Doh think about the imprints that God leaves your life and the imprints you leave on others. Ask God to shape and mold you. Open up your heart and your mind to God’s molding in your life. God bless you and may God press into you and be near to you.

