
Treasure in Clay Jars

2 Corinthians 4:7-12 Series #13

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: "Treasure in Clay Jars." All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- 1. When were the Dead Sea Scrolls found?
- 2. What was the most notable find in the Qumran caves?
- 3. The Isaiah manuscript in the Dead Sea Scrolls dates back to when?
- 4. If Paul said nothing to the Corinthian church in his defense, it would give what false impression about his detractors?
- 5. What letter of Paul's is not easy to track or follow in lots of places?
- 6. Paul earlier had said that he had been appointed a servant and minister of what?
- 7. The gospel was entrusted to whom?
- 8. What is the "treasure" that Paul refers to in verse 7?
- 9. We are nothing more than what?
- 10. Why does God choose us jars of clay to be the vessels who experience, and house and serve the greatest treasure of all?
- 11. God can, and does use specially gifted people when He knows that kind of an individual will do what?
- 12. What Bible character had an incredible mind, ranking among the greatest ever?

27. When people attack the Lord's people, it is because they what? 13. God has chosen the foolish things of the world to do what? 14. What does the word "weak" in verse 27 mean? 15. The use of the word, "base" (v.28) tells us that God is not dependent upon what people? 28. Paul argues that all of his troubles or persecutions or weaknesses or insufficiencies were a platform for what? 16. Is there anyone who doesn't like you or looks down on you? If so, then you are what? 17. God chooses to use what kind of people? 29. Paul was constantly where? 18. God wants to use ordinary people in extraordinary ways and then what happens? 19. God uses ordinary earthen vessels because then it is obvious that it 30. Apart from all of the external/physical things that Paul went is what? through, he also had the daily pressure of concern about what? 20. In Isaiah 42:8, God said He would not do what with His glory? 31. Paul was a living illustration of the truth he would later write in what verse? 32. What verse do we need to be careful about not quoting out of 21. Do you ever go through times in life when you're confused? context? 22. In verse 8, Paul acknowledges that there were times in life when he 33. In the context, Philippians 4:13 is not so much an offensive strength was what? as it is what? 23. Afflictions will strike us and press in upon us but we cannot allow 34. Christ strengthens us to do what? them to do what? 35. God's pattern is to dispense the needed strength at what point? 24. We are weak and vulnerable but God does what? 36. It is a fact that what is not the same for all Christians?

37. Paul's sacrifices on their behalf were benefitting the Corinthians

38. Do you ever insult God by saying that you are too weak for Him to

spiritually because Paul was doing what?

use for His glory?

25. In chapter 12 Paul says that it is often true that our weakness is

26. Paul, as well as many of his partners in ministry, lived life with the

what?

constant what?