

# Hands of Change (Jeremiah 18:1-12)

## **Jeremiah 18:2 (NIV)**

"Go down to the potter's house, and there I will give you my message."

### **Praise:**

He is a God of invitation and invites us to come to meet Him in our lives. He invites us to hear His words. He wants to speak to us about change and transition for His will.

### **Request:**

Help us meet you where you are; in our worship, ministries, care of people, and service to the community. Let us meet you where you are active. Tell us what you have to say to us. Speak to us about change and transition concerning Your will.

## **Jeremiah 18:3-4 (NIV)**

So I went down to the potter's house, and I saw him working at the wheel. 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.

### **Praise:**

He is the Potter working at the wheel, and He delights in placing His hands on us. He is at work in us personally, in His Church, and in our community.

### **Request:**

Place us on your wheel and delight in placing your hands upon us, our church and this community. Apply Your Hands of Change to my life.

## **Jeremiah 18:5-6 (NIV)**

Then the word of the LORD came to me: "O house of Israel, can I not do with you as this potter does?" declares the LORD. "Like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel.

### **Praise:**

He is the agent of change and transformation in us, our church and this community. We are in His hands ready to be formed.

### **Request:**

Transform, change, and align us with Your Hands of Change. Apply pressure and spoil our out of balance ways and give us new methods and visions that meet the needs of His work.

## **Jeremiah 18:7-12 (NIV)**

If at any time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down and destroyed, and if that nation I warned repents of its evil, then I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster I had planned. And if at another time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be built up and planted, and if it does evil in my sight and does not obey me, then I will reconsider the good I had intended to do for it. "Now therefore say to the people of Judah and those living in Jerusalem, 'This is what the LORD says: Look! I am preparing a disaster for you and devising a plan against you. So turn from your evil ways, each one of you, and reform your ways and your actions.' But they will reply, 'It's no use. We will continue with our own plans; each of us will follow the stubbornness of his evil heart.'"

### **Praise:**

He is a righteous and just God. He releases and withholds blessing and offers mercy.

### **Request:**

Forgive us our ways and methods of idolization. Forgive us of our stubbornness. Release your mercy in us, our church and this community.