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## **Title: Cracked Pots & Eternal Glory**

### **1 Minute Message:**

God has placed the treasure of the gospel in fragile, weak vessels like us — not to show off our strength, but to show off His power. And because of that, we do not lose heart.

### **3 Simple Truths from 2 Corinthians 4:**

#### **1. We don't give up — because we've received this ministry by His mercy (Verses 1–6)**

- Ministry is not based on our merit, but on God's mercy.
- Paul reminds us that we serve because of grace, not qualification.
- We preach the truth with sincerity, not manipulation.
- In a world full of deception, people are hungry for authenticity.

### **Cross References:**

1 Timothy 1:13-14

Acts 26:18

Ephesians 6:12

Matthew 12:29



## **2. We don't give up — because our weakness reveals God's power (Verses 7–12)**

- We are jars of clay — fragile, ordinary, even cracked.
- God puts His treasure (the gospel) in us to show that the power is from Him, not us.
- Trials may press us, but they don't destroy us.
- Our suffering becomes a platform for others to see the life of Jesus.

### **Cross References:**

Romans 8:18

Philippians 3:10

Isaiah 64:8

## **3. We don't give up — because our eyes are on eternity (Verses 13–18)**

- Faith speaks what it believes — we proclaim the gospel because we believe it.
- Our hope is in the resurrection — we know the end of the story.
- Our suffering is temporary, but the glory to come is eternal.
- We fix our eyes on what is unseen — the eternal things of God.

### **Cross References:**

Romans 10:17

Colossians 3:2

Hebrews 12:1-2

1 Peter 1:6-7

### **Reflection Questions:**

- Where in your life do you feel like giving up?
- How has God shown His mercy to you personally?
- Are there areas where your weakness is revealing His power?



- What temporary things might be distracting you from eternal focus?

**Closing Encouragement:**

When life gets hard... it all feels so heavy... when you feel like a cracked pot — remember the treasure inside you. Remember the mercy that called you. And remember the glory that's waiting for you.

Let's not lose heart. Let's press on — by His mercy, in His power, and with our eyes on eternity.

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