Being Vessels Of Honor

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INTRODUCTION

- God tells us that we are his workmanship created in Christ Jesus for good works.
- The crafting is for us to be able to work together and accomplish the task that God has given.
- Don't be intimidated by it. You keep moving forward in serving the Lord.

1 Sanctified, Useful to the Master

2 Timothy 2:19–21

- Anyone who cleanses themselves from these things, he will be a vessel for honor. Sanctified, useful to the master, prepared for every good work.
- When he talks about sanctified, he's talking about the vessels that have been cleansed, washed.
- God's vessel, He sanctified, He washes it. He prepares it for His use.

2 This Treasure in Earthen Vessels

2 Corinthians 4:6–8

- We have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves.
- Even though those things happen, you still will live. You still will be useful in the service to God.
- It is God that will sustain you through all of this.
- With this treasure in earthen vessels is what makes us vessels of honor.

3 The Cleansing Process and Naming the Name of the Lord

2 Timothy 2:14–26

- What in the context of those verses will make a person a vessel of honor for the master's use?
- First of all, the cleansing process that takes place. That's what makes you a vessel of honor.
- But if we follow God's prescribed instructions, it's going to work.
- When you name the name of the Lord, that means you're taking on his identity. That's going to make you a vessel of honor.

4 Flee Youthful Passions

2 Timothy 2:22

- Paul is saying, you flee those things. The youthful passions.
- If you do things right, you're going to be a vessel of honor.
- They're using all of these negative terms to cause you to stray away from the path of morality that God teaches.
- You're missing out on the regrets and the pitfalls of life.

5 Pursue Righteousness, Faith, Love and Peace

2 Timothy 2:22; Jude 3

- Not only do you pursue the right way, that's going to help you to be a vessel of honor.
- Pursuing love. Not as the world talks about love, but the way that God talks about it.
- Fill yourself up with the treasure of God. And there will be no room for the world.
- We're no longer fighting against the things of God, but now we're embracing them, and it brings peace.

6 A Vessel of Honor Does Not Preach Itself

2 Corinthians 4:1–6; 2 Corinthians 4:7–10

- A vessel of honor does not preach itself, but what it does preach is Christ Jesus our Lord.
- As vessels of honor, being filled with the treasures that God provides, that is true value.
- We're going to be called all kinds of things, but don't let it crush you because of what you have inside and who you are working with.
- When we're going through persecution, God hasn't forsaken us. He's there.

MY NOTES