

In His Hands

Read Jeremiah 13 v 1-17

Reflect: How responsive are you to God's 'moulding' in your life?

- God draws a comparison between himself and the potter, who can do as he sees best to the clay. How would you think God might respond to someone who objects that this isn't fair?
- Being reshaped by the potter isn't always a pleasant experience. Can you think of times in your life when you have been aware of God's shaping hand on your life?
- In order to be reshaped by the potter, the clay has to be soft. How well is Judah doing under God's hand? (v11-15)
- Israel has a reputation of being protected and cared for by its powerful God. How is Israel's reputation going to change? (v16-17)
- In verse 12 Judah responds to God's warning with the reply, "It's no use." What do you think that means?
- A primary cause of Judah's coming judgment is a determined forgetfulness. (v15) How might forgetfulness be an expression of disobedience and unfaithfulness? How might we become 'forgetful'?
- Judah was a nation with a hard heart which expressed itself in disobedience and idolatry. How might you describe the behaviour of a person with a hard heart and a soft heart? How might God be currently shaping you?

These questions are to be used as a follow up in small groups, with friends or for personal reflection to the teaching at 8pm on YouTube every second week.