

into - Jer's crystal balls, witchcraft, etc. - Black Magic books in library - Edgar Cayce had 20 yrs, books are booming - in time of Crisis (Saul) need a word from O - Jer's day - O came w/ an explanation

Hard respect
- sent to Potter's house - what he saw - how simple - that's the whole story
① In Potter saw an intelligent & capable worker
② which ten instrument which he accomplished a definite purpose in clay
③ a capable material, something of which it was possible for the Potter to accomplish his purpose. These facts reveal for all time the relationship which exists between O & man

I. a Divine Presence working in Every Life
1. O is sovereign ruler of universe, absolute control, alter destiny - O's hand in human history, or circumstances of life Hab. 1

2. O is working in human life - His touch - See hand of O in circumstances of my life - "He wrought a work."

II. a Divine Purpose to Every Life - "as seemed good to Potter"

1. a purpose - a plan Eph 2:10 - Before begun had a hook in mind - artist, Engineer
2. Clay is necessarily ignorant of his purpose
3. wisest thing to do is submit to Potter - no good Potter would design a poor vessel -
- Don't need to fear O's will - afraid O will mistreat us.
4. definite possibilities in clay
5. there is nothing in clay that is able to realize its own possibilities

Success in life depends on submission to the Potter

III. a Divine Patience to every work - "marred"

1. Potter not always immediately successful
2. in his hand - can resist & rebel against O's will
3. a stubborn spot in clay, a foreign element
4. Made another vessel - Emphasis is on his Treatment of stubborn clay - doesn't destroy it
5. works at stubborn spot till he gets it out (rough handling)
6. Only O can reshape a marred vessel