



# HANOVERDALE CHURCH

## Nehemiah

### Serving God by Becoming Sanctified

DEVOTIONALS FOR THE WEEK OF:  
**April 5, 2026**

This week we spoke about becoming a chosen or sanctified vessel, to be holy and set apart for God's work. Ephesians 1:4 says *"According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love."* Throughout the week we will dig deeper to see how God can turn you into His chosen vessel to serve God in His holy Kingdom work. What type of vessel will you be? Apart from Christ, we are nothing but empty, broken, and useless vessels. God wants us to be vessels that are sanctified and filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. Will you choose to allow Him to restore your life and fill you up with His presence, so you can be poured out into the lives of others?

#### **Monday: 2 Corinthians 4:7-18**

When you think of yourself, do you see a refined vessel of gold and silver, or as a common clay pot? What does Paul say about our clay pot lives? But even a **broken** vessel is useful. Why is that? What does the Apostle Paul compare people to? How does a cracked pot have any value? Today, thank God for what the Holy Spirit has done for you. Even if your body is cracked and wasting away. The Holy Spirit will shine out of you.

#### **Tuesday: Psalm 139; I John 1:9**

What makes for a **dirty vessel**? Is your life characterized by sin? What are you supposed to do to clean up your life? Today, look carefully and deeply. Is there any sin lurking in the dark recesses of your life? Name them and bring them out to the light. What is true about God using you if you are harboring sin in your life? What happens when I confess my sin? Go ahead. Become clean through confession.

#### **Wednesday: Hebrews 12:12-15**

What can cause a **cracked and weak** vessel? What are we told to not permit to enter our hearts? What has caused bitterness in your life? Is there anyone whom you need to seek forgiveness? What does a root of bitterness do in a life? Someone has said, 'bitterness will always cause more damage to the offended, rather than the offender. It's like I am drinking the poison and waiting for the other person to die. Be careful today to not let a seed of unforgiveness take hold of your life.

### **Thursday: Ephesians 5:18; Galatians 5:22**

People can fill their lives with various things. What are some things that we fill our body, mind and soul with? What should a vessel (you) put inside? How does a person become a **filled** vessel with the Holy Spirit? What happens to your soul when you have the Holy Spirit in you? How are you different? Are there pieces of spirit given fruit that you struggle possessing? Once Christ has restored us and made our lives pure and holy, what will He fill us with? .A Holy Spirit filled life is a sanctified life. Today, ask to be filled with the fruit of the Spirit.

### **Friday: 2 Timothy 2:20-21**

Sometimes circumstances happen that we have caused or that just happen to us. What is our usual response when bad things happen? How does a person become a **restored** vessel when trials infiltrate our lives? What does God want to do with those trials? In other words how do we move from vessels used for dishonorable purposes to being used for honorable purposes? Are you broken today? Ask God to put your broken life back together, into something beautiful and useful, “prepared unto every good work.”

### **Saturday: Leviticus 8:5-15; Joshua 6:19**

What was true of every vessel in the Temple? How did each vessel become a **sanctified** vessel? Were there any unclean or common (unsanctified) items in the Temple? What sanctified them? There were a variety of vessels in the temple. Each of these vessels were sanctified. What does sanctified mean? What cleanses and sanctifies you? Thank God that you are not cleansed by the blood or fat of an animal, but by the perfect, sinless, holy blood of Jesus and the Holy Spirit.