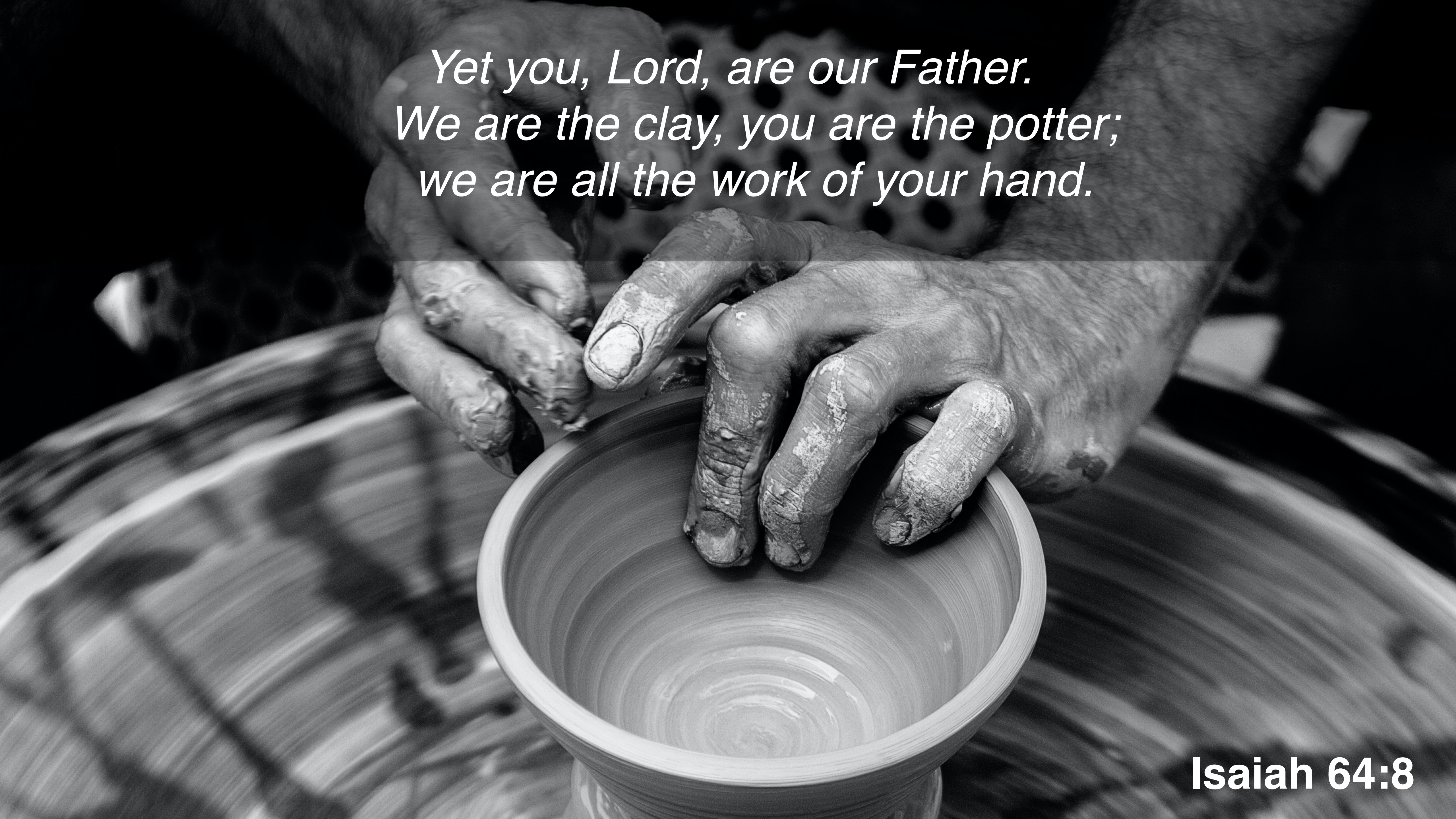


Jars of Clay





*Yet you, Lord, are our Father.
We are the clay, you are the potter;
we are all the work of your hand.*

Isaiah 64:8

Unique



Quirky



Broken



**Broken, but
beautiful**



Broken doesn't
mean you're
not useful



This is the word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: “Go down to the potter’s house, and there I will give you my message.” So I went down to the potter’s house, and I saw him working at the wheel. But the pot he was shaping from the clay was marred in his hands; so the potter formed it into another pot, shaping it as seemed best to him.



Jeremiah 18: 1-4

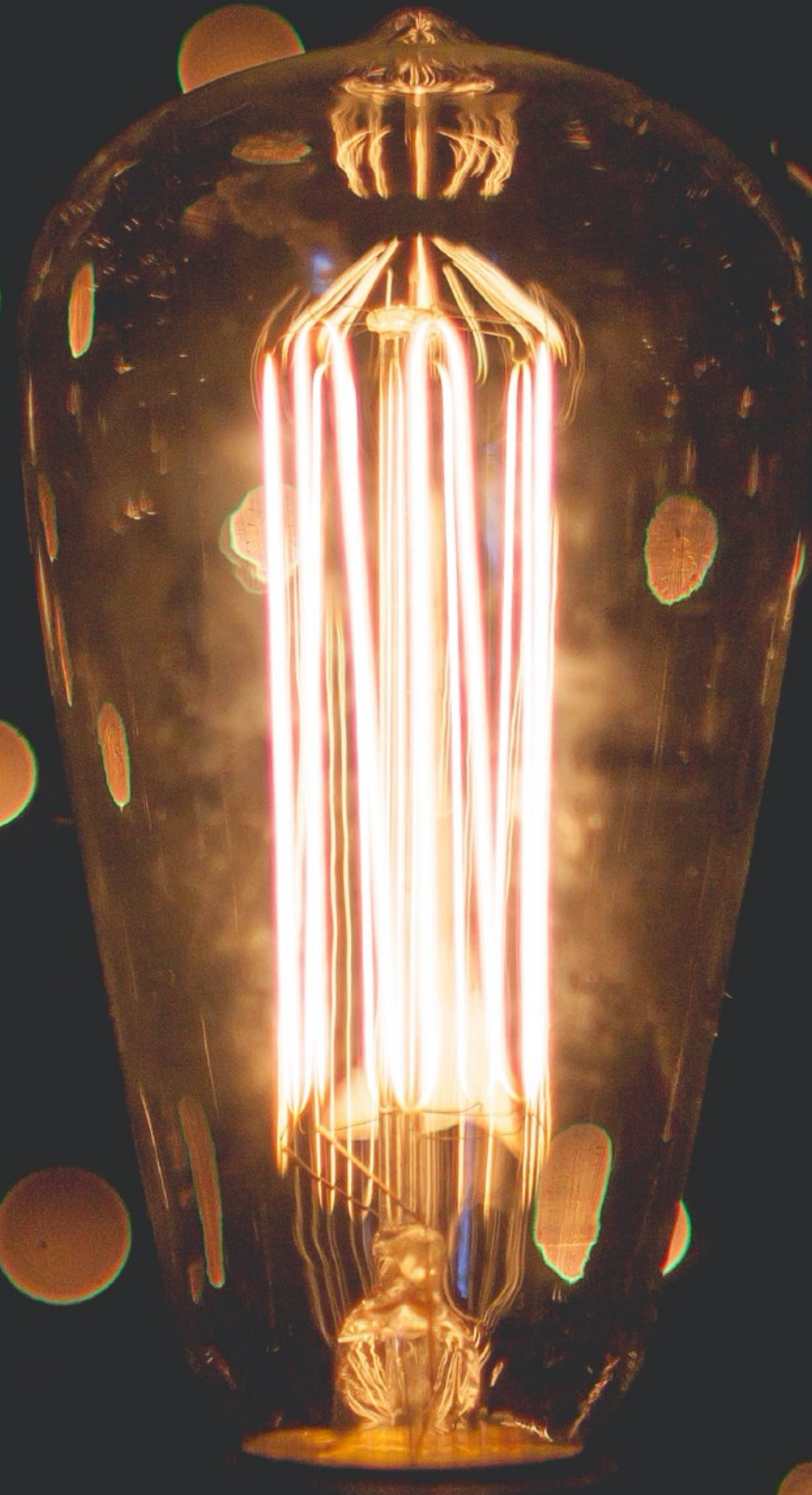
Going through the fire



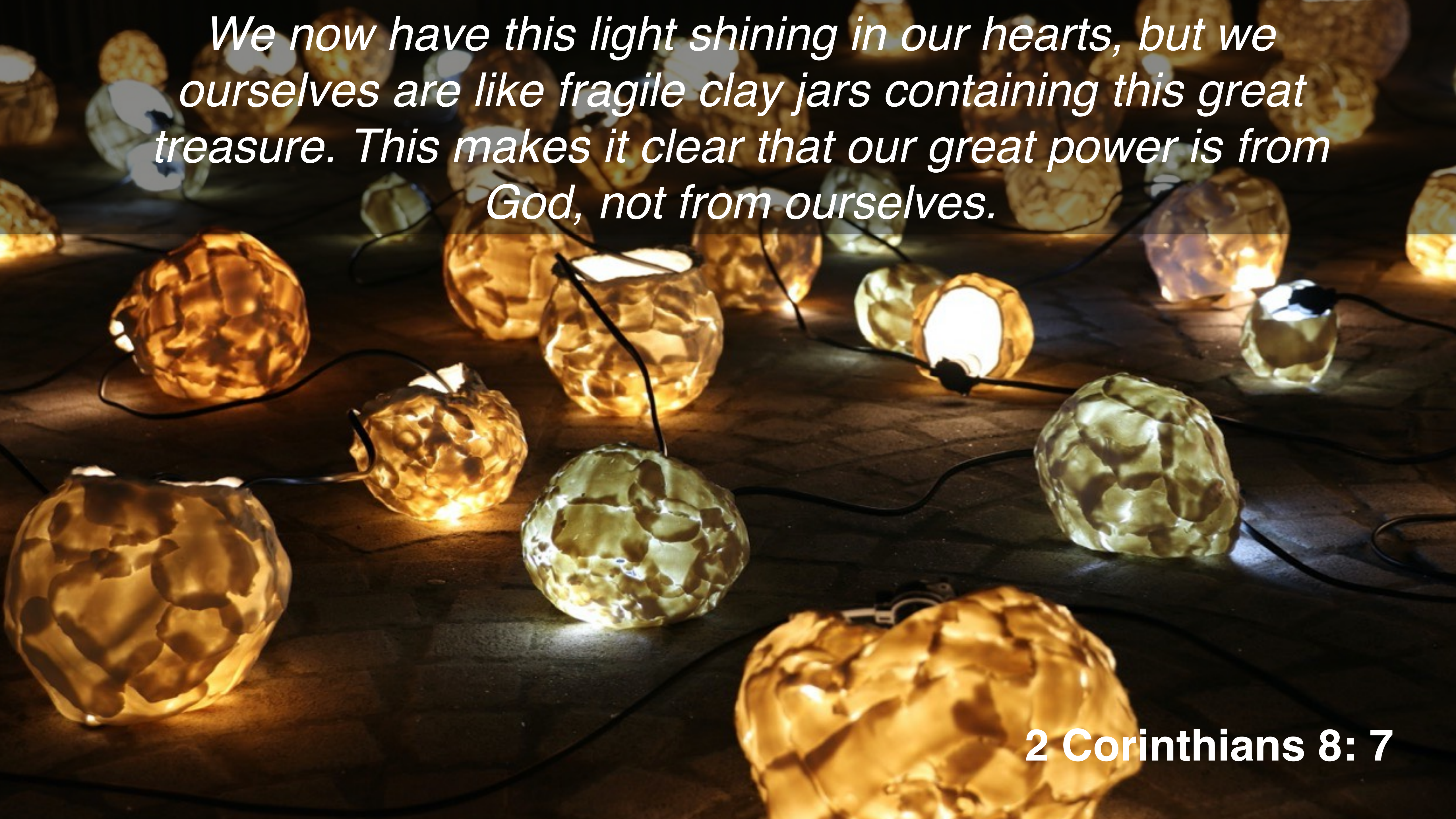
“Christ leads us into the wilderness of suffering to engage us there. When he meets us in the wilderness, he is the manna, he is the water from a broken rock. But he is also the one who wants us to potently feel our lack so that we cling to him.”

Ben Palpant - A Small Cup of Light

For God, who said, “Let there be light in the darkness,” has made this light shine in our hearts so we could know the glory of God that is seen in the face of Jesus Christ.



2 Corinthians 8: 6

A string of glowing, textured glass jars, resembling clay or stone, is laid out on a dark, reflective surface. The jars are illuminated from within, casting a warm, golden light. The background is dark, making the glowing jars stand out prominently. The jars have a rough, pebbled texture and are connected by a thin black cord.

We now have this light shining in our hearts, but we ourselves are like fragile clay jars containing this great treasure. This makes it clear that our great power is from God, not from ourselves.

2 Corinthians 8: 7

We are pressed on every side by troubles, but we are not crushed. We are perplexed, but not driven to despair. We are hunted down, but never abandoned by God. We get knocked down, but we are not destroyed.



2 Corinthians 8: 8-9