

Hidden Treasure

II Corinthians 4:5-12

• *. All we are is a clay pot.*

II. Sometimes the greatest treasure comes in ordinary things.

1. Clay pots in ancient times were useful for many things.

2. What is the treasure? Vs 6 NIV

the treasure is the experiential knowledge of God

Tony Evans "The closer you get to Christ the more of God you will experience".

III. God put this treasure in clay pots on purpose

• ***Verse 7b NIV "to show that this all- surpassing power is from God and not from us.***

IV. How do we unwrap this treasure?

"something in me must die" vs 10-12

• ***The hard shell like self-life must be put to death and to do that the shell or clay pot has to be broken. When the clay pot of my self-life is broken and put to death The New Life of God within (the treasure) will shine".***

Verse 7 NLT

• ***7 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.***

V. How do you know if you have unwrapped the treasure?