

## WEEK THREE - Becoming

### Scripture Passage:

#### Romans 12:1-2

**1** I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

**2** Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect.

#### Jeremiah 18:1-6

**1** The word that came to Jeremiah from the Lord: **2** “Come, go down to the potter’s house, and there I will let you hear my words.” **3** So I went down to the potter’s house, and there he was working at his wheel. **4** The vessel he was making of clay was spoiled in the potter’s hand, and he reworked it into another vessel, as seemed good to him.

**5** Then the word of the Lord came to me: **6** Can I not do with you, O house of Israel, just as this potter has done? says the Lord. Just like the clay in the potter’s hand, so are you in my hand, O house of Israel.

### Discussion Questions:

1. What stood out to you from Dr. Van Dyk’s reflections?
2. When describing baptism Dr. Van Dyk said, “I wish I could figure out how to impress on a congregation the stunning fact that their *core identity* is as a baptized child of God.” Why do you think this is so important?
3. Dr. Van Dyk describes becoming as the theological word “sanctification.” Dr. Daniel Migliore describes sanctification as “maturing in Christian love.” Reflect together on that definition of sanctification as “maturing in Christian love.”
4. What do you think Paul is communicating when he says, “Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewing of your minds?”
5. What barriers are present in our lives to becoming more like Christ?
6. How does “becoming” shape your understanding of living a worshipFULL life?