



<sup>19</sup>You will say to me then, "Why does he still find fault? For who can resist his will?" <sup>20</sup>But who are you, O man, to answer back to God? Will what is molded say to its molder, "Why have you made me like this?" <sup>21</sup>Has the potter no right over the clay, to make out of the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for dishonorable use? <sup>22</sup>What if God, desiring to show his wrath and to make known his power, has endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, <sup>23</sup>in order to make known the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy, which he has prepared beforehand for glory— <sup>24</sup>even us whom he has called, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles? <sup>25</sup>As indeed he says in Hosea, "Those who were not my people I will call 'my people,' and her who was not beloved I will call 'beloved.'" <sup>26</sup>"And in the very place where it was said to them, 'You are not my people,' there they will be called 'sons of the living God.'" <sup>27</sup>And Isaiah cries out concerning Israel: "Though the number of the sons of Israel be as the sand of the sea, only a remnant of them will be saved, <sup>28</sup>for the Lord will carry out his sentence upon the earth fully and without delay." <sup>29</sup>And as Isaiah predicted, "If the Lord of hosts had not left us offspring, we would have been like Sodom and become like Gomorrah."

## I. A Predictable \_\_\_\_\_

"Why does he still find fault? For who can resist his will?"

## II. A Pointed \_\_\_\_\_

But who are you, O man, to answer back to God?

<sup>21</sup>These things you have done, and I have been silent; you thought that I was one like yourself. But now I rebuke you and lay the charge before you.

<sup>22</sup>"Mark this, then, you who forget God, lest I tear you apart, and there be none to deliver! Psalm 50:21-22

<sup>1</sup>Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said: <sup>2</sup>"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge? <sup>3</sup>Dress for action like a man; I will question you, and you make it known to me. <sup>4</sup>"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. <sup>5</sup>Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Job 38:1-5

And the LORD said to Job: "Shall a faultfinder contend with the Almighty? Job 40:1-2

## III. A Powerful \_\_\_\_\_

Has the potter no right over the clay, to make out of the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for dishonorable use?

## IV. A Profound \_\_\_\_\_

A. Through His \_\_\_\_\_  
in order to make known the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy

B. Through His \_\_\_\_\_  
even us whom he has called, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles?

C. Through His \_\_\_\_\_  
'You are not my people,' there they will be called 'sons of the living God.'"

D. Through a \_\_\_\_\_  
only a remnant of them will be saved

**Last Thought:** God accentuates His \_\_\_\_\_  
on the backdrop of His \_\_\_\_\_ in order that we  
would praise His \_\_\_\_\_!