## **God's Purposes Through Light-Filled Cracked Pots**

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Introduction: Four principles from Paul on God's purposes through us through light-filled cracked pots

	II Corinthians 4:1 - Therefore, since through God's mercy we have this ministry, we do not lose heart. (NIV)
	John 15:5 - I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. (NIV)
II. We	live in a blind world
	II Corinthians 4:4 - The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. (NIV)
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## IV. We are beacons of light

Christ, the Master. All we are is messengers, errand runners from Jesus for you. It started whe God said, "Light up the darkness!" and our lives filled up with light as we saw and understood God in the face of Christ, all bright and beautiful. If you only look at us, you might well miss a brightness. We carry this precious Message around in the unadorned clay pots of our ordinar lives. (The Message)	ien d the