

## Jars of Witness

2 Corinthians 4:1-7

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Doug Fields clip on witnessing.

The only thing that can change our world is the Gospel and the only way for the Gospel to change the world is through us.

- I. The Gospel is Ours (1)
  - A. When God saved us, we received a new future
  - B. When God saved us, we received a new assignment
  - C. When God saved us, we received a new challenge (Hebrews 12:1-3)
    1. "Lose heart" refers to cowardly surrender
- II. The Gospel is Adequate (2)
  - A. We need not water it down
  - B. We need not sugar coat it
- III. The Gospel is Reasonable (3-4)
  - A. To the believer it makes perfect sense
  - B. To the unbeliever it makes no sense
    1. Satan wants them blind
      - a. To the Author of truth
      - b. To the authenticity of truth
      - c. To the authority of truth
    2. Satan wants them befuddled
      - a. Denying the truth
      - b. Defying the truth
- IV. The Gospel is Effective (5-7)
  - A. The right message brings the right results – "we preach Jesus Christ the Lord"
  - B. The right voice brings the right results – "God...has shown in our hearts"
  - C. The right attitude brings the right results – "earthen vessels"

### So What?

- ❖ Don't blame the blind for being blind...pray that the Healer will make them see.
- ❖ Don't apologize for the Gospel...pray that the Spirit will make it attractive.
- ❖ Don't doubt the power of the Gospel...pray that the Creator will speak it into hearts.
- ❖ Don't force response to the Gospel...pray that the Savior will draw them to Himself.