

there he was, working at the wheel. ⁴ Whenever the vessel of clay he was making turned out badly in his hand, he tried again, making another vessel of whatever sort he pleased. ⁵ Then the word of the LORD came to me: ⁶ Can I not do to you, house of Israel, as this potter has done?—oracle of the LORD.

THE POTTER'S NATION

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uproot and tear down and destroy it; ⁸ but if that nation against whom I have decreed turns from its evil, then I will have a change of heart regarding the evil which I have decreed. ⁹ At another moment, I may decree concerning a nation or kingdom that I will build up and plant it; ¹⁰ but if that nation does what is evil Indeed, like clay in the hand of the potter, so are you in my hand, house of Israel. 7 At one moment I may decree concerning a nation or kingdom that I will



