## 1-1-2025 - Happy New Year

- Before a piece of art is created . . . it first existed in somebody's mind.

  Before chisel/ice... paint/canvas... clay/potter's wheel... Image.
- 1500's. 17' block of marble sat abandoned. Seen as unfit for use.
   Damaged. Cracked. Broken. Nothing beautiful could come from it.
   Rejected. A 25-yr old artist saw an image that needed to be set free.
   Worked night/day. 3 years. Michael Angelo created David.
- "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you"- Jer. 1:5
  God fashioned us w/His own hands.
  David said that He "formed our inmost being." Ps. 139:13
  We were created w/ intention. For a purpose.
- We may be rejected by others... they may not see our value. God does. God created something beautiful. "It is Good."

  We have been created good, to do good. To create beauty.

  We create . . . b/c God is a creator.
- Jeremiah he watched a potter at the wheel. It was marred. So he changed it. Created something else.

This new year is a blank page. Create beauty. Goodness.

Be open to allowing God to show you what goes on the page.

And please . . . turn the page. 365-page book. New chapters ahead!