

Great Faith (Matthew 15:21-28)

“Jesus went out from there” could be from Galilee, Jesus’ own country
He “departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon,” likely to rest/recuperate
Mark 7:24 “Jesus went into a house” Matthew doesn’t say anything

I. An Unwelcome Seeker and Her Desperate Need (15:21-23)

- a. A Canaanite woman
- b. Deeply distressed
- c. Lord Son of David

II. The Unwanted Seeker & Her Precious Faith (15:23-27)

Jesus said not a word.

The disciples urge the Lord to send her away.

Jesus says, “I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.”

The woman worships & pleads for help – Jesus responds:

“It is not good to take the children’s bread & throw *it* to the little dogs.”

Her response: “even little dogs eat crumbs which fall from masters’ table”

III. The Unwanted Seeker’s Precious Faith Rewarded (15:28)

Jesus said, “ O woman, great is your faith”

“Let it be to you as you desire.” her daughter was healed that very hour.

“God’s Table of Fellowship” – Meal above All Meals (Luke 22:7-20)

- I. A Table Above All Tables – Rooted & Grounded in Redemption
- II. A Table & Meal Planned & Instituted by Jesus Himself
- III. A Table & Meal Anticipates the Future
- IV. A Table & Meal Remembering Jesus’ Substitutionary Death
- V. This Table & Meal speaks of Jesus’ New Covenant Community