

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Living out the gospel with
one another in our homes

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Text: Mark 7:24-30

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The Syrophenician Woman

Impressive Faith

1. Read Mark 7:24-30. Read Matthew 15:21-28. What is different between the two accounts? How does Matthew's account improve your understanding of the exchange between the Syrophenician Woman and Jesus?
2. Hebrews 11:1 states, "Now faith is the certainty of things hoped for, a proof of things not seen" (NASB20). What was the woman certain of? How was her faith made evident? Do we make our faith evident in the same way? Why not?
3. Have you ever been as desperate as the Syrophenician Woman? Has anyone as desperate as the Syrophenician Woman ever approached you?

Knows Who We Are

4. The Syrophenician Woman was a Gentile. Read Matthew 18:15-17. How were Gentiles to be treated?
5. In the New Testament, the word Hellenes is usually translated as "Greek," but sometimes it appears as "Gentile." It refers to those who use the Greek language and customs. How does Romans 10:12 change the treatment of Gentiles (or Greeks)?
6. In light of Isaiah 43:3-4, how should we live our lives? Do you live your life knowing you are precious in God's sight? Do you live your life knowing God ransomed Egypt for you? Do you live your life knowing God will give other nations in exchange for your life?

Falls on His Mercy

7. Read Ephesians 1:4-6. What did we do to be chosen by God?
8. Remember Luke 18:13-14. How did the Syrophenician Woman humble herself? Should we do the same? When?
9. Read Romans 3:21-26. Do we live as having received a gift by grace? Did the Syrophenician Woman ask for a gift? What did she receive? Was it mercy? How can we ask for the same mercy to be shown to us?