

ELEPHANT IN THE ROOM:

*“...it is not right to take the children’s bread
and throw it to the dogs”*

Mark 7:24-30

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UNDERSTANDING OUR PASSAGE:

And from there he arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. (v. 24)

But immediately a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. (v. 25)

Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. (v. 26)

“Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon.” But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying out after us.” (Matthew 15:22-23)

And he said to her, “Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” (v. 27)

But she answered him, “Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.” (v. 28)

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to anyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. (Romans 1:16)

And he said to her, “For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter.” (v. 29)

*Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith.”
(Matthew 15:28)*

And she went home and found the child lying in bed and the demon gone. (v. 30)

GROW GREAT FAITH

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. (Romans 8:31-33)

NEXT WEEK: *“If anyone would come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”* (Matthew 16:21-28)

TRAIN READING PLAN: September 23-29

- Psalm 111; 1 Corinthians 13
- Psalm 112; 1 Corinthians 14
- Psalm 113; 1 Corinthians 15
- Psalm 114; 1 Corinthians 16
- Psalm 115; 2 Corinthians 1

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