

# SERMON NOTES

## TELL ME ABOUT HIS AUTHORITY BEYOND BOUNDARIES

**Mark 7:24-37**

BIG IDEA: Jesus' authority knows no boundaries—his compassion and power extend to all who humbly come to him in faith.

# APPLICATION GUIDE

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## DISCUSS

Have you ever been treated like an outsider—or treated someone else that way? How did it make you feel?

Read Mark 7:24–37. What stands out to you about where Jesus travels and whom he helps?

How does the Syrophenician woman demonstrate humility and faith?

Why do you think Jesus responded to her the way he did?

In verses 31–37, how does Jesus' healing of the deaf and mute man display both his compassion and his divine authority?

How do these two Gentile encounters contrast with the unbelief of the Pharisees earlier in the chapter?

## APPLY

Who in your life might you be tempted to see as “outside” God's reach, and how does this passage reshape that view?

When God seems silent or slow to act, what would it look like to respond with the humility and persistence of the Syrophenician woman?

In what ways have you grown deaf to God's Word or silent about his goodness—and what would it mean for Jesus to say to you, “Be opened”?

How might God be calling you to step across a boundary this week—to extend compassion, share Christ, or speak of his grace?

## COMMIT

Make this your prayer this week: “Lord, open my ears to hear your promises, my heart to trust your mercy, and my mouth to proclaim your praise. Let my life display that you have done all things well.”