

The Gospel in Action (16)

The Jesus Way

Mark 7:24-8:9

Intro: When Things Aren't Working

I. Responding to Gentile Faith (v. 24-30)

II. Healing the Gentile Sick (v. 31-37)

III. Feeding Hungry Gentiles (v. 1-9)

Conclusion: So What's the Point?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Talk about a time when you felt God leading you to set something aside... not because He was finished working there, but because the timing was not right for you. Did He bring that situation back to the forefront later? What did God eventually do there?
2. The Jewish people believed the Gentiles were unclean (dogs)... beyond God's help. What groups of people might we be tempted to consider "unclean" today?
3. The woman's statement about "dogs being given the crumbs" is really a statement of faith. She believes God's GRACE is sufficient for the Jews... and there is also enough left over for the Gentiles! How has God's grace been sufficient for you in your own faith journey? How do you view the "leftovers" from the feeding of the 5000 and 4000 in light of our world which desperately needs Jesus?
4. Jesus sent one man who had been healed by God's power back to his own people to "tell his story". How did that story change his community? How might your story change your community if you were to "go to your people and tell what God has done for you?"