

Sermon Outline: “A Gracious Work Of God”!

Matthew 15:21-28

02/08/20

Two questions

Apathy and resistance

Off to Tyre and Sidon

Responding to a Canaanite mum

Lost sheep

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To ponder over a cuppa with a friend:

Describe the relationship between the Jews and the Canaanites?

What modern day relationships would mirror this?

Why does the mother plead for mercy?

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1. What do we know of Tyre and Sidon? (Matthew 11:20-24)
2. Who were the Canaanites? Describe the relationship between them and the Jews?
3. What glimpse do we get of that relationship in these verses? (v.23)
4. What did the mother know of Jesus?
5. What does it mean to call Jesus Lord?
6. What does mercy mean? Why does the mother plead for mercy?
7. Initially how do the disciples and Jesus respond to the mother?
8. Who are the lost sheep then and now? (Luke 15:31-32; 19:10)
9. What does the term “dog” mean? Was Jesus being racist in His words with the Canaanite mum?
10. What did the mother ask of Jesus?
11. What did Jesus say of her faith? Who else is this said of? E.g. Matthew 9:22
12. What lesson was Jesus teaching and the disciples needed to understand? Do we need to learn the same lesson? Who do we consider not worthy of hearing the gospel?