A Mother's Faith
Mark 7: 24-30

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Verse 24

Jesus needs a retreat

Jesus needs time to recharge in preparation for His final trip to Jerusalem to die


Sidon
PHOENICIA
LEBANON
Tyre
Mt. Hermon
Damascus
SYRIA
Mediterranean Sea
Capernaum
GALILEE
Sea of Galilee
Nazareth
Mt. Tabor
Caesarea
Ten Cities
DECAPOLIS
Jordan River Valley
Samaria
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DEMON DAUGHTER
"Jesus traveled over to the area of Tyre...a Gentile...
begged Jesus to perform an exorcism on her daughter." Mark 7:24, 26

Jesus had a mission given to Him by His Father, so you also have a mission given to you by Father

Your mission is to be an ambassador, a representative of Christ to the world around you

Verse 25 - 26

Jesus' rest is short-lived, a mom needs help

A demon possessed daughter drives this mom to Jesus

Interesting: If there were no demon possession, there would have been no driving her to Jesus – God does work all things out for good – Romans 8: 28

Many attribute tough times and difficult situations to demonic attacks – *"the devil is attacking me"*

Please consider Scripture:

"The Lord is faithful and He will strengthen and protect you from the evil one." – 2 Thessalonians 3: 3

I do not believe Satan can touch a believer without the express permission of God

If God allows this it is for His purposes and His glory! *(i.e., Job)*

Verse 27 - 28

Jesus and the mom talk

This Gentile mom makes a plea for mercy to Jesus – Matthew 15: 22

"But He answered her not a word" – Matthew 15: 23a

Jesus' mission was to offer the kingdom to Israel – Matthew 15: 5-7

Israel rejected the kingdom offer for the final time in Matthew 12: 22-31

The Pharisees accused Jesus of casting out demons and healing by the power of Beelzebub, Satan

- This is called blasphemy of the Holy Spirit
- This was a final rejection of Jesus as their Messiah, their Savior, their life giver

Today, blasphemy of the Holy Spirit is the final rejection of Jesus by a person

Jesus is grieved by their rejection – Matthew 23: 37-39

Jesus' response to the woman seems strange, dismissive, even harsh

"He answered her not a word" – Matthew 15: 23

"I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel" – (not to you, mom) – Matthew 15: 24

"Let the children (Israel) be filled first, for it is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs" (Gentiles) - Mark 7: 27

Mom's response:

"Yes Lord, yet even the little dogs under the table eat from the children's crumbs"

Verse 29 - 30

Mom's faith moved the heart of Jesus

This mom believed Jesus and He is moved to act on her behalf

Mom heard these precious words from Jesus – Matthew 15: 28

"O Woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And the daughter was healed from that very hour."

THINK:

Jesus did not speak a word to the demon; with a thought the demon is gone!

Jesus, being God, with a thought, a miracle occurs – the demon is gone!

CLOSING THOUGHTS:

This mom did not know any deep theology about Jesus

Her faith moved the heart of Jesus:

"O woman, great is your faith" **- Matthew 15: 28**

Faith is simply trusting God no matter what!

Faith is *NOT* a trump card to get what you want, but to get what God wants for you!

A little faith, *"mustard seed faith"*, is all that is needed


From this
to this

Sometimes all I have left in the tank, beaten by my mountain, or a life issue, is a little faith

A little faith when acted upon, can move mountains!

Hear Max Lucado:

"Faith is not the belief that God will do what you want; it is the belief that God will do what is right."

A little faith is not about me mustering up faith . . . . .

It is about the ***ONE*** I have faith in to help in my situation

Mercy Me – ***"Even If"*** – even if I only have a little faith

MY HOPE IS IN YOU ALONE!

BECAUSE OF THIS TRUTH,
COME WHAT MAY, I CAN SAY:

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL,

IT IS WELL,

IT IS WELL . . . . . .

WITH MY SOUL!!