



CHAPTER FOUR ~ Persistent Faith

This story occurred during the time of Jesus' _____, and you can read the account in two of the Gospels: _____ and _____.

Notes on this:

As a way of setting the stage, let me tell you where this chapter's character fits into the timeline of Jesus' ministry: He had just _____ and _____... but would soon _____.

Notes on this:

Read Matthew 15:21-22.

Jesus was on the road again. This time, he ventured to _____ and _____, located in the Phoenician States territory. (See map.)



Verse 22 tells us that a _____ came up to Jesus, crying out for _____. Some versions call her a _____ or “Syrophenician”.

Notes on this:

“A curse on the Canaanites! May they be the lowest of the servants to the descendants of Shem and Japheth.” (Gen. 9:25)

⁶ <https://www.thoughtco.com/maps-of-the-levant-119279>

In verse 22, this woman called out to Jesus as "Lord, Son of _____".
By calling Jesus that, she was doing one of two things:

1. _____
2. _____

Information related to demon possession:

Is it any surprise that this woman sought out the One they called _____
when she learned that Jesus was in town?

She _____ for His help. She didn't just _____.

So how did Jesus respond? Read Matthew 15:23.

How did He respond? _____

Read Matthew 15:24.

The Gospel was only for the _____, not for the _____.

Continue reading verse 25. Notes on this:

Read Matthew 15:26.

Jesus responded with an analogy... He said food prepared for _____
must not be fed to _____.

Notes on this:

Read Matthew 15:27.

Even the _____ feed on the _____.

The _____ were enough for her.

Read verse 28. "*Your _____ is _____.*"

She believed _____. And she was rewarded for _____.

Let's compare this story to the account told in Mark. Turn to Mark 7:24.

Notes on this:

Read Mark 7:25-26.

Mark introduces this woman as a Syrophenician. In doing so, he is pointing out that she is a _____, both in _____ and _____.

Read Mark 7:27-30. Notes on this:

If there is a _____, then there is likely a _____ . There would be a time when the directive would be to deliver God's blessing to _____, _____ included.

The _____ refers to _____.

The _____, or Gentiles, had a place in the _____, but not a prominent one at this time.

In verse 29, like in Matthew 15:28, Jesus announced that He

_____.

Did you notice? _____

Notes on this:

Let me ask you: How quickly do _____?

How long does it take for us to _____?

Sometimes that radio silence is _____. Sometimes,
God is waiting to see the _____.

Do you have a personal relationship with God? Do you know Jesus Christ as your personal Savior?

Do you have the _____ of the Syrophenician woman?

Are the _____ enough for you?

I urge you to follow the advice found in 1 Thessalonians 5:17...
"Pray without ceasing."