



Desperate Times, Desperate Faith!

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Text: Matthew 15:21-28

Passage Summary: In times of crisis the world declares, “desperate times call for desperate _____”, but in God’s economy, we want to see that desperate times call for desperate _____!

180 Degree Truth #1: See that a desperate faith not only _____ the heart of Jesus, but _____ the heart of Jesus! (15:21-28)

Application: Recognize that a desperate faith that moves the heart of Jesus and reveals the heart of Jesus is...

- _____! (v.21-22)

“A Canaanite woman from that vicinity came to him, crying out, ‘Lord, Son of David, have mercy on me!’”

Matthew 15:22

Remember: When it comes to a desperate faith, Jesus really is Lord, capital “L”, Son of David, and _____ open for _____ to move when we approach Him on this basis!

- _____! (v.23)

Persistent: “continuing firmly in a course of action in spite of difficulty or opposition.”

See that a desperate faith persists in the face of...

_____! (v.23a)

“Jesus did not answer a word.”

Matthew 15:23a

_____! (v.23b)

“So his disciples came to him and urged him, ‘Send her away, for she keeps crying out after us.’”

Matthew 15:23b

_____! (v.24)

“I was sent only to the lost sheep of Israel.”

Matthew 15:24

Remember: When it comes to a desperate faith, Jesus at times may seem distant or disinterested, but don’t be too quick to interpret those things as a sign to give up; some of your greatest _____ to _____ may be a lot closer than you think!

- _____! (v.24-28)

“He replied, ‘It is not right to take the children’s bread and toss it to their dogs.’ ‘Yes, Lord,’ she said, ‘but even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.’”

Matthew 15:26-27

Remember: When it comes to a desperate faith, it seeks to bring the power of the gospel in the Name of Jesus to bear on all of life’s circumstances _____, but it is also keenly aware of the _____ nature and purpose of the salvation that is contained within it!

“Samuel Rutherford, the saintly Scottish minister who suffered greatly for Christ, once wrote to a friend: ‘It is faith’s work to claim and challenge loving-kindness out of all the roughest strokes of God.’ That is exactly what this Gentile mother did, and we today have much that we can learn from her about faith.”

Warren Wiersbe

Core Conviction to Live By: Resolutely determine that for you, desperate is the new strong, the new powerful, and the new victorious; you may not have ever seen yourself as the _____ type, but having a desperate faith in Jesus is the _____ you really need to be!