



# G R O U P

## DISCUSSION GUIDE

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### **W A R M U P**

Read Matt. 15:21-28. Pastor Larry in his message, reminded us that when Jesus gets a visit or hears news about somebody who hates him and wants to kill him, He typically withdraws and goes to a solitary place to pray. What can we learn about this woman from verse 22 and what can we learn about her attitude toward Jesus?

### **READ        Matthew 15:21-28**

### **A S K**

- Was Jesus being rude when He said, “It is not good to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs?” Did the woman get offended and give up? How did the woman respond to Jesus' comment?
- What did Jesus say about the woman's faith (v.v.28) and what did he do as result? How did the Canaanite woman show that she had great faith?
- Pastor Larry stated that Matthew's presenting this woman as a model. That's why he's telling this story to us. How is her response, something we should do in our own life and tell others to do when they experience difficult situations?
- Can you think of another time when Jesus helped a Gentile? What did they have in common? (Matthew 8:5-13)
- Re-read Matthew 15:21-28. If you were a casual observer, what would you have thought about Jesus’s initial responses? What do you think was his mindset and thought process behind those responses?

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