

GROUP

DISCUSSION GUIDE

May 28th, 2023

WARM UP

Pastor Larry in his message states that the 5,000+ Jewish people in Chapter 14 and the 4,000+ non-Jews of Chapter 15 were hinged by Matthew's telling of the Canaanite woman and her bold, unrelenting request. What do you think he means by that?

READ Matthew 15:29-39

ASK

- Read Matt. 15:32-38. How is this story similar to the feeding of the five thousand in chapter 14? How is it different? Are there any additional insights/lessons you can learn from it?
- How did the disciples' resources at that moment compare with the food at their disposal the last time they fed a hungry crowd (see Matthew 14:13-21)? (15:34). Compare and contrast the disciples' attitudes in both.
- Read Matt. 15:30-31. What are some of the diseases and ailments that Jesus cured? How did the healings affect all those who watched?
- Pastor Larry stated that Jesus gave them hope in their life, emotionally, physically, and spiritually. What experience from the past reminds you of God's work in your life?
- Why do you think God works through us when he could get things done better and faster by doing miracles? How can we develop love for Christ so we avoid taking his blessings for granted?

> PRAY