



## EVEN THE DOGS UNDER THE TABLE EAT THE CHILDREN'S CRUMBS, PART 1

MATTHEW 15:21-28, MARK 7:24-30

### **MATTHEW 15:21-28**

<sup>21</sup> And Jesus went away from there and withdrew to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup> And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and was crying, *"Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely oppressed by a demon."* <sup>23</sup> But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, *"Send her away, for she is crying out after us."* <sup>24</sup> He answered, *"I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."* <sup>25</sup> But she came and knelt before him, saying, *"Lord, help me."* <sup>26</sup> And he answered, *"It is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs."* <sup>27</sup> She said, *"Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table."* <sup>28</sup> Then Jesus answered her, *"O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire."* And her daughter was healed instantly.

*Jesus' fame in Tyre and Sidon;*

### **MARK 3:7-8**

<sup>7</sup> ...a great crowd followed, from Galilee and Judea <sup>8</sup> and Jerusalem and Idumea and from beyond the Jordan *and from around Tyre and Sidon...*

*"Fully satisfied";*

### **MARK 6:42**

<sup>42</sup> And they all ate and *were satisfied.*

### **MARK 8:4, 8**

<sup>4</sup> And his disciples answered him, *"How can one feed these people with bread here in this desolate place?"* ...<sup>8</sup> And they ate and *were satisfied...*

### **PHILIPPIANS 4:12**

<sup>12</sup> I know how to be brought low, and I know how to abound. In any and every circumstance, I have learned the secret of facing *plenty* and hunger, abundance and need.

### **JAMES 2:16**

<sup>16</sup> and one of you says to them, *"Go in peace, be warmed and filled,"* without giving them the things needed for the body, what good is that?

*Israel: the "children of God";*

### **EXODUS 4:22**

<sup>22</sup> Then you shall say to Pharaoh, *"Thus says the LORD, Israel is my firstborn son..."*

### **DEUTERONOMY 14:1**

<sup>1</sup> *"You are the sons of the LORD your God. You shall not cut yourselves or make any baldness on your foreheads for the dead.*

### **ISAIAH 1:2**

<sup>2</sup> Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the LORD has spoken: *"Children have I reared and brought up, but they have rebelled against me.*

*"Little dog" versus "dog";*

### **MATTHEW 7:6**

<sup>6</sup> *"Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you."*

**LUKE 16:21**

<sup>21</sup> ...who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, *even the dogs came and licked his sores.*

**PHILIPPIANS 3:2**

<sup>2</sup> *Look out for the dogs*, look out for the evildoers, look out for those who mutilate the flesh.

**2 PETER 2:22**

<sup>22</sup> What the true proverb says has happened to them: "*The dog returns to its own vomit*, and the sow, after washing herself, returns to wallow in the mire."

*The Jewish view of dogs;*

**EXODUS 22:31**

<sup>31</sup> "You shall be consecrated to me. Therefore you shall not eat any flesh that is torn by beasts in the field; you shall *throw it to the dogs.*

**1 KINGS 21:23**

<sup>23</sup> And of Jezebel the LORD also said, "The *dogs* shall eat Jezebel within the walls of Jezreel.'

**2 SAMUEL 16:9** (See also: 1 Kings 22:38, 2 Kings 9:36, Isaiah 56:10)

<sup>9</sup> Then Abishai the son of Zeruiah said to the king, "Why should this *dead dog* curse my lord the king? Let me go over and take off his head."

*An order of salvation;*

**ACTS 1:8**

<sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses *in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.*"

**ROMANS 1:16**

<sup>16</sup> For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, *to the Jew first and also to the Greek.*

*Was Jesus sent "only" to the lost sheep of Israel?;*

**ISAIAH 49:6**

<sup>6</sup> He says: "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; *I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.*"

**JOHN 10:27**

<sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.

**ROMANS 9:6-8**

<sup>6</sup> But it is not as though the word of God has failed. *For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring...*<sup>8</sup> *This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring.*

**JOHN 10:16**

<sup>16</sup> *And I have other sheep that are not of this fold.* I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

**Why did Jesus go to Tyre and Sidon?**

**Why was Jesus apparently rude and lacking in empathy?**

**Why does Jesus, who so consistently shows great compassion—especially to women—appear to have no interest in helping a woman with such a desperate need?**

**Why did Jesus praise a Gentile's faith?**

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