Delivering the Syrophonecian Woman's Daughter Matthew 15:21-28; Mark 7:24-30

I. Context of the Miracle Matt 15:21

II. Content of the Miracle Matt 15:22-28

- A. The plea of the woman (v. 22)
- B. The pause/silence of Christ (v. 15:23a)
- C. The pride of the disciples (v. 15:23b)
- D. The place of the woman (vv. 15:23c-24)
 - 1. Her determination
 - 2. His dispensational perspective
- E. The persistence of the woman (vv. 25-27)
 - 1. Her reverence (v. 25)
 - 2. His rejection (v. 26)
 - 3. Her response (v. 27)
- F. The power shown to the woman (v. 28)
 - 1. Jesus hails her faith
 - 2. Jesus heals her daughter

III. Interpretation

Applications

- 1. Faith is the great equalizer of cultural and personal backgrounds.
- 2. Spiritual insight leads to spiritual blessing.
- 3. Rejection of privileged responsibility may bring replacement in God's service (Rom 11 warns us to not get cocky, for we are merely wild branches grafted into Israel's blessings)
- 4. We have the privilege of bringing our troubles and cares to God.
- 5. There is a place for well-grounded boldness in the Lord. She doesn't quit. He wants me to be bold in coming to Him. We are to be persistent in prayer (Luke 11:8-10).
- 6. Success in prayer comes from a humble approach.
- 7. Beware of a lack of compassion (the disciples' model)



"Lord, have mercy!"

8. There are a lot of "little people" who know a lot of theology and live it.