

## A Gentile Cries for Mercy (Matt. 15:21-23)

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“The supreme significance of this passage is that it foreshadows the going out of the gospel to the whole world; it shows us the beginning of the end of all barriers.” – William Barclay

### Strategic Withdrawal

This was the only time during Jesus’ ministry that He went out of \_\_\_\_\_ territory into \_\_\_\_\_ lands.

Withdrew =

A retreat, or withdrawal, does not always indicate a \_\_\_\_\_, but is simply done for \_\_\_\_\_ purposes.

Jesus went to recover and \_\_\_\_\_ Himself from the rapidly mounting \_\_\_\_\_ that were facing Him in Israel.

Jesus did not go there out of \_\_\_\_\_.

Notes about Tyre and Sidon:

Notes about Canaanites:

This woman was a descendant of a people God had commanded Israel to \_\_\_\_\_ and utterly \_\_\_\_\_ (Deut. 7:2).

### A Cry for Mercy

Began to cry out =

Mercy =

By definition, a person who asks for mercy asks for something \_\_\_\_\_.

Mercy is integral to God’s \_\_\_\_\_ work for man.

Lord =

By calling Jesus the \_\_\_\_\_, this woman recognized Him as the Christ, the promised Messiah.

She approached Jesus with terms of \_\_\_\_\_ and expectancy.

Demons were controlling her daughter in an extremely \_\_\_\_\_ and cruel manner.

The woman’s request for \_\_\_\_\_ left everything at Jesus’s feet to do as He \_\_\_\_\_.

### Two Unexpected Responses

Jesus’ response: \_\_\_\_\_

Sometimes the hardest response to accept from God is \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ the woman’s faith to bring it to full \_\_\_\_\_, so He put up this barrier of \_\_\_\_\_ not to keep her away but to draw her closer.

The disciples’ response: \_\_\_\_\_

The disciples’ response was insensitive and \_\_\_\_\_, and it revealed the hatred that still existed in their \_\_\_\_\_.