

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Speaker: Chris Royalty Sunday: May 10, 2020

- 1) Begin your time by briefly praying and asking the Holy Spirit to help you as you discuss and study.
- 2) Now, read Mark 7:24-30.
- 3) What stuck out to you as you read? Was there anything that you didn't understand? Discuss.
- 4) In verse 24, Mark says that Jesus did not want anyone to know that He was there. Why do think Jesus was trying to keep his whereabouts secret?
- 5) The most shocking part of this story is that when the Syrophoenician woman asks Jesus to heal her daughter, he initially rebuffs her. What was your response to this story as you read about what Jesus did? Why do you think he did this? Is he degrading this woman?
- 6) Why was Jesus' pleased with the woman's response to his question?
- 7) Have you ever felt like God rebuffed you? Have you ever prayed for something and God answered your request with a "no"?
- 8) What should we do when God seems to say "no" or "wait"?
- 9) Read Romans 8:28. How does this verse fit in with the story we just read about Jesus and the Syrophoenician woman?
- 10) Believing that Jesus is working out everything for our good can be hard when life is difficult. In what area of your life are you really claiming the promise of Romans 8:28 right now?
- 11) End your time in prayer. Ask the Holy Spirit to help apply to your life what you've been learning and discussing.