

The Rudeness of Jesus
(King Jesus: The Gospel of Matthew- Part 38)

November 15, 2020

Today's Passage: Matthew 15.21-28

You have to practice what you know so that you can grow.

People will come to you seeking healing when their need and your reputation is great.

It's easy to become jaded.

God may test your faith with silence and rudeness.

Life Group Questions for the week of November 15, 2020

1. Share something from the sermon that impacted you. What verse or point stood out to you?
2. Why did Jesus leave Israel and go to Tyre and Sidon? What is he trying to teach the disciples?
3. Why did the Canaanite woman (a gentile) call Jesus "lord", and "son of David"? How would she have known these titles?
4. Why did Jesus refuse to answer the woman?
5. Why would Jesus say he was "sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel" in this passage, and yet in other passages of scripture we know Jesus was sent to save the whole world? Explain this apparent difference.
6. Is Jesus being rude when he compares the woman to a dog? Explain why Jesus answers her this way.
7. What does the woman's example teach us about approaching God?
8. Why does Jesus eventually grant the woman's request?
9. What does this passage teach us about spiritual cleanliness?
10. Who in your life needs to hear the truth of this passage? How can you go about sharing with them?