



HTC SMALL GROUP

Discussion Questions

Sermon Title: Thanks Mom for Keeping the Faith

Sermon Date: May 13, 2018

Scripture: Matthew 15:25-28

Speaker: Pastor Rod Randall

1. Have group members reflect on Mother's Day. Any stories or memories to share?

READ Matthew 15:21-28

2. The Canaanite woman tries to solve her problem by going to Jesus. Does that tend to be your response? Why or why not?
3. The Canaanite woman's daughter is the one suffering from demon possession, but she says, "Have mercy on me." Why does she phrase it this way?
4. Discuss the ways the Canaanite woman is put off in her request. How would you have handled this kind of rejection?

READ Luke 18:1-8.

5. How does this parable compare and contrast with the Canaanite woman's story?
6. Since God can grant our prayer requests as soon as we ask, why does He often put us off and have us persist? How should this speak to our prayer life?
7. What do you make of the Canaanite woman's comeback about eating "crumbs" that fall from the table?
8. Why is a humble heart so important to the Lord? How can we make sure we approach Him with humility?

READ John 6:32-40.

9. How is this passage fulfilled in the Canaanite woman?
10. Jesus seems truly impressed by the woman by announcing, "Woman, you have great faith!" (Vs. 28). What makes her faith so great? How can our faith be like hers?
11. Any additional takeaways from this week's discussion you'd like to share with the group?