

The Woman of Canaan

Matthew 15:21-28; Mark 7:24-30



The Story

Jesus wanted some time alone. He went to the country of Tyre and Sidon, so He could be alone. The people in this place were Canaanites. Many did not worship the true God. One of these women came to Jesus for help. She had a daughter who was very sick. Even though she was a Gentile, the woman had learned about Jesus. She knew Jesus was the Savior and cried to Him, saying, "Have mercy on me O Lord, Son of David!" Then she asked Jesus to make her daughter well.

At first, Jesus did not answer the woman. He was testing her faith. The disciples wanted to send

her away, but the woman kept praying for Jesus to help her.

Then Jesus told the Gentile woman that He was sent first to help the lost sheep of Israel. The woman worshiped Jesus and said, "True, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from the masters' table." She was certain Jesus would answer her prayer.

Jesus saw the great faith of the Gentile woman. He said, "O, woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you ask." When the woman returned home, she found her daughter had been healed in that same hour!

Activity One - Use the words in the box to fill in the blanks.

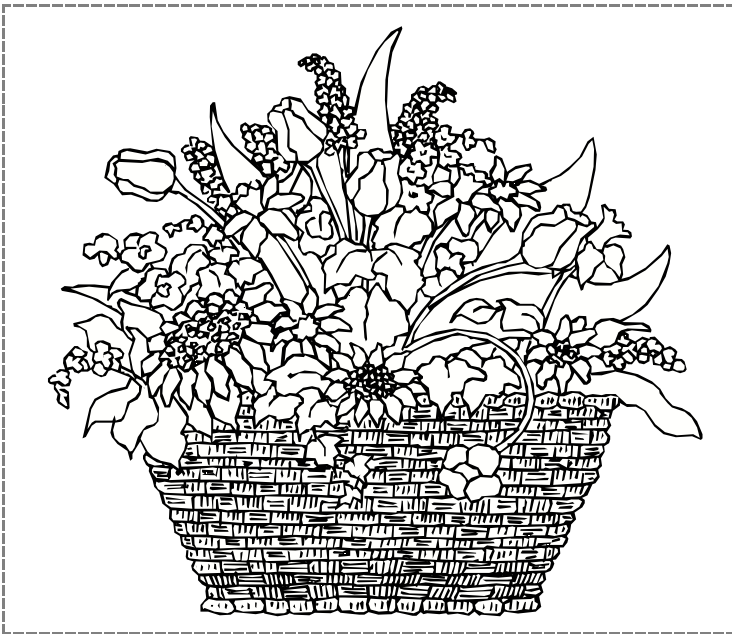
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1. The woman knew Jesus is the _____.
2. She prayed to Jesus to _____ heal her daughter.
3. Jesus said she had great _____.
4. Jesus answered her _____.
5. _____ hears my prayers too.

Prayer

We know You are our Savior and You hear our prayers. Thank You for all our blessings. Amen

Activity Two - Cut out the boxes and glue them to a folded paper to make a get-well card for someone who is sick. Try to memorize the passage from Psalms as you are coloring and cutting.



Call upon Me in
the day of trouble;
I will deliver you,
and you shall
glorify Me.
Psalm 50:15

May Jesus
help you to
get well