

Study Guide Questions

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Message: Love & Life for All

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Memory Verse: 1 Timothy 4:7-8

Have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives' tales; rather, train yourself to be godly. For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come.

Read Matthew 15:21-28

- God sees past our religious ceremonies, emotionalism, and intellectualism. Instead, He looks at our heart. Have you ever found security or felt secure in your faith because you followed certain rites/rituals, behaved a specific way outwardly, or knew a lot about the Bible? Do those things matter to God? What does matter to Him?
- Jews viewed Gentiles as unclean and therefore isolated themselves and did not want to share their God with a people who they felt would tarnish His name. Are there any types of people you purposefully stay away from (*ex. less fortunate*)? What does this reveal about your heart? How can we transform it to be more aligned with Jesus?
- Why did Jesus say that the Canaanite woman had great faith? If Jesus were to describe your faith, what do you think He would say?
- There is no training without sending. Jesus never equipped a person just to be an information warehouse. He equips people so that they may be used to continue God's mission. In what ways are you equipped to help others? Are you serving in this capacity? In what ways would you like to be equipped to serve?



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Read Matthew 15:29-39

- What impact do the healings performed by Jesus have on the people? When we minister to people, what should be our goal? How can we help people praise the God of Israel?
- Just as Jesus helped provide for the physical needs of those in the crowd, we also should be attentive to the needs around us. What are the needs around you that you can meet?
- When has your hunger for the Lord outweighed your physical hunger? Would you go three days without eating if it meant you could be present with Jesus?
- The message that Christ is sharing is not ethnocentric. Where would you like to see greater diversity in our congregation? How can you be an active part in that process?



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