THE CANAANITE WOMAN’S FAITH
MATTHEW 15:21-28

READERS: NARRATOR, WOMAN, DISCIPLES, JESUS, MAN

NARRATOR: 21 Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. 22 Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting,

WOMAN: Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.

NARRATOR: 23 But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying,

DISCIPLES: Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.

NARRATOR: 24 He answered,

JESUS: I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.

NARRATOR: 25 But she came and knelt before him, saying,

WOMAN: Lord, help me.

JESUS: 26 It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.

WOMAN: 27 Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.

JESUS: 28 Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.

NARRATOR: And her daughter was healed instantly.

JESUS CURES A BLIND MAN AT BETHSAIDA, MARK 8:22-25

NARRATOR: 22 They came to Bethsaida. Some people brought a blind man to him and begged him to touch him. 23 He took the blind man by the hand and led him out of the village; and when he had put saliva on his eyes and laid his hands on him, he asked him,

JESUS: Can you see anything?

NARRATOR: 24 And the man looked up and said,

MAN: I can see people, but they look like trees, walking.

NARRATOR: 25 Then Jesus laid his hands on his eyes again; and he looked intently and his sight was restored, and he saw everything clearly.