

In today's Gospel, Matthew 15:21-28, Jesus is approached by a Canaanite woman who approached Him and said, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." Even though she was not answered at first, she called out again to Christ for help, and He responded that He was sent for the house of Israel. In rebuttal, she answered, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table."

Dearest ones, in great faith, love and humility the mother from Canaan pleaded with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and He in return proclaimed because of her faith, "Be it done for you as your desired." And, her daughter was instantly healed.

How many of us approach God with persistence, faith and humility like the Canaanite woman? How many of us keep praying to God at all times? Our faith presupposes trust, and we believe knowing that Jesus Christ was sent for the salvation of our souls and bodies. Let us take the example in today's pericope and approach our God with faith and humility persistently seeking He who is mighty in all; Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and always and forever and ever amen.