

# Mark 7:29

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And he said unto her, For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out of thy daughter.

## Analysis

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**For this saying go thy way; the devil is gone out**—Jesus commends the Syrophoenician woman's persistent faith. Her humble response demonstrated both faith and theological insight, acknowledging Israel's priority while trusting God's abundance extends beyond Jewish boundaries. The Greek perfect tense indicates completed, permanent demon expulsion. Remarkably, Jesus heals at a distance without physical presence—demonstrating sovereign authority transcending proximity. This account breaks multiple boundaries: geographical (Gentile territory), ethnic (Phoenician), gender (woman initiating dialogue), religious (pagan). Yet Jesus responds to persistent faith wherever found. Her boldness teaches that true faith pursues Christ relentlessly despite seeming rejection.

## Historical Context

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This miracle occurred in Tyre and Sidon (v.24), Gentile cities in Phoenicia. Jesus's ministry to this Gentile woman prefigures the gospel extending to all nations. Her persistence despite apparent rejection demonstrates extraordinary faith. In first-century Judaism, 'dogs' was a common epithet for Gentiles, yet she accepts this while appealing to God's lavish grace—even crumbs from His table exceed earthly kingdoms' feasts.

## Related Passages

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**John 3:16** — God's love and salvation

**Romans 10:9** — Confession and belief for salvation

**Romans 1:17** — The righteous shall live by faith

**Hebrews 11:1** — Definition of faith

## Study Questions

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1. How does this woman's persistent faith despite rejection challenge your approach to prayer?
2. What does Jesus healing at a distance reveal about His authority transcending boundaries?
3. How does this account prepare for the gospel going to all nations?

## Interlinear Text

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καὶ	εἶπεν	αὐτῇ	Διὰ	τοῦτον	τὸν	λόγον	ὑπάγε
<b>And</b>	<b>he said</b>	<b>unto her</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>this</b>	G3588	<b>saying</b>	<b>go thy way</b>
G2532	G2036	G846	G1223	G5126		G3056	G5217
ἐξελήλυθεν	τὸ	δαιμόνιον	ἐκ	τῆς	θυγατρὸς	σου	
<b>is gone</b>	G3588	<b>the devil</b>	<b>out of</b>	G3588	<b>daughter</b>	<b>thy</b>	
G1831		G1140	G1537		G2364	G4675	

## Additional Cross-References

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**Isaiah 66:2** (Parallel theme): For all those things hath mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at my word.

**Matthew 5:3** (Parallel theme): Blessed are the poor in spirit: for their's is the kingdom of heaven.