

# Three Truths about Salvation

Mark 7: This chapter includes 3 encounters of Jesus which reveal 3 truths about Salvation:

## I. THE PLIGHT OF MAN: HELPLESSNESS

A. The Accusers: the religious elite (v.3) *Pharisees, Scribes, Elders*

B. Christ' Condemnation: 4 realities of Human Depravity

Their Habits (Tradition): (v.5) *the tradition of the elders,*

Their Hypocrisy: *'This people honors Me with their lips, But their heart is far from Me.*

Their Heresy: (v.7) *Teaching as doctrines the commandments of men.'*

Their Heart: (v. 21) *"For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts....,*

## II. THE PLACE OF FAITH: HOPEFULNESS

A. The seaker: v. 26 *The woman was a Greek, a Syro-Phoenician*

B. The Faith: Humble Worship v.25 *she came and fell at His feet.*

The Faith: Bold Confidence v. 28 *"Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs under the table eat from the children's crumbs."*

C. The blessing: answered prayer v.29 *"For this saying go your way; the demon has gone out of your daughter."*

## III. THE PASSION OF CHRIST: LIMITLESSNESS

A. The sufferer: (v.32) *they brought to Him one who was deaf and had an impediment in his speech,*

B. The surpassing power of Christ's passion: (v.34-35) *(Jesus) said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." Immediately his ears were opened... his tongue was loosed,*

C. The stunning impact of Christ's passion: (v.37) *And they were astonished beyond measure, saying, "He has done all things well.*

This chapter includes 3 encounters of Jesus which reveal 3 truths about Christ' nature:  
He is all knowing, He is all merciful, He is all powerful

## CONCLUSION: Salvation is all about Jesus Christ

There is no substitute: (Ac 4:12) *"Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."*

There is no self-effort: (Eph 2:9) *not of works, lest anyone should boast.*

There is no other way: (Joh 14:6) *Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.*