

disciples. The populace “realised that they had been with Jesus” (Acts 4:13). Their deportment and their attitude marked them as His true followers.

Are you living completely for Jesus? Is the love of Christ so obvious in your life that those who know you realise that you are a follower of the One who “could not be hidden”? (Mark 7:24). If so, the world will readily see that you are on God’s side. Your influence cannot be hidden.



*When we've been alone with Jesus,  
Learning from Him day by day,  
Others soon will sense the difference  
As we walk along life's way. —Hess*

**You cannot hide your influence.**



# Central Mountains Baptist Church

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### The One Who Could Not Be Hidden

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*He entered a house and wanted no one to know it, but He could not be hidden. —Mark 7:24*

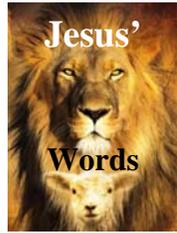
Attar of Roses, a fragrant oil, is one of the most valuable products of Bulgaria and is heavily taxed for export. A tourist, unwilling to pay the duty, sought to evade customs by concealing two vials of the precious fluid in his suitcase. Apparently a little of the perfume had spilled in his suitcase. By the time he reached the train station, the aroma was emanating from the luggage, declaring the presence of the hidden treasure.

The authorities immediately knew what the man had done and confiscated the costly souvenirs.

The Lord Jesus could not be hidden either. Crowds were constantly mobbing Him to hear His words of wisdom, to benefit from His deeds of mercy, and to derive help from His loving compassion.

After He ascended to His Father, Jesus’ influence continued in the lives of His





# Great Faith: Great Blessing

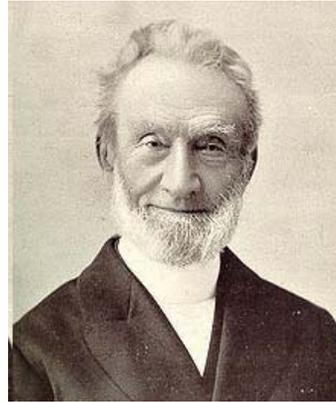
Matthew 15:21-28 tells the story of a Canaanite woman in four chapters :

## 1. Great \_\_\_\_\_, verses 21-22, 25

**(Mark 7:24)** "From there He arose and went to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And He entered a house and wanted no one to know it, but He could not be hidden."

**(Exodus 23:23-24)** ""For My Angel will go before you and bring you in to the .. Canaanites .. and I will cut them off. {24} "You shall not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do according to their works; but you shall utterly overthrow them and completely break down their sacred pillars."

**(1 Kings 11:5)** "For Solomon went after Ashtoreth the goddess of the Sidonians, ..."



George Muller in later life

**(Mark 7:26)** "The woman was a Greek, a Syro-Phoenician by birth, ..."

**(Mark 3:7-8)** "... a great multitude from Galilee followed Him, and from Judea {8} and Jerusalem and Idumea and beyond the Jordan; and those from Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude, when they heard how many things He was doing, came to Him."

**(Romans 10:9)** "that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved."

**(Romans 10:13)** "For "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved."

**(Ephesians 2:8-9)** "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, {9} not of works, lest anyone should boast."

## 2. Great \_\_\_\_\_, verses 22, 12:43-45

**(2 Corinthians 6:15)** "And what accord has Christ with Belial? ..."



## 3. Great \_\_\_\_\_, verses 23-28

**(Luke 7:9)** "... "I say to you, I have not found such great faith, not even in Israel!""

**(Numbers 23:19)** ""God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?"



## 4. Great \_\_\_\_\_, verse 28

**(Mark 7:30)** "And when she had come to her house, she found the demon gone out, and her daughter lying on the bed."

**(Ephesians 1:3)** "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,"

**(2 Corinthians 12:8-10)** "Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. {9} And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong."

**(Matthew 11:28-30)** ""Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. {29} "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. {30} "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.""

