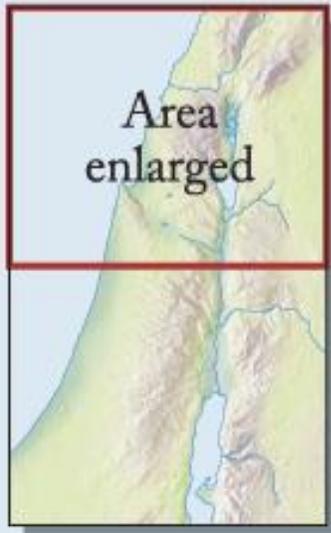
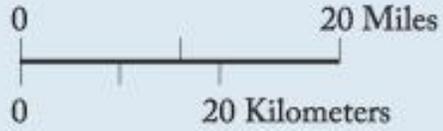




LORD of the Stranger

Mark 7:24-30

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Then Jesus left Galilee and went north to the region of Tyre. He didn't want anyone to know which house he was staying in, but he couldn't keep it a secret. ²⁵ Right away a woman who had heard about him came and fell at his feet. Her little girl was possessed by an evil spirit, ²⁶ and she begged him to cast out the demon from her daughter... she was a Gentile, born in Syrian Phoenicia.



- Mark 7:24-27 (NLT)

A Gentile woman who lived there came to him, pleading, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! For my daughter is possessed by a demon that torments her severely.”²³ But Jesus gave her no reply, not even a word. Then his disciples urged him to send her away. “Tell her to go away,” they said. “She is bothering us with all her begging.”



- Matthew 15:22-23 (NLT)

Jesus told her, “First I should feed the children—my own family, the Jews. It isn’t right to take food from the children and throw it to the dogs.”

²⁸ She replied, “That’s true, Lord, but even the dogs under the table are allowed to eat the scraps from the children’s plates.”

²⁹ “Good answer!” he said. “Now go home, for the demon has left your daughter.” ³⁰ And when she arrived home, she found her little girl lying quietly in bed, and the demon was gone.



- Mark 7:27-30 (NLT)

LORD of the Stranger (Mark 7:24-30)

1. Prayers to the LORD are answered, “No,” “not now,” or “yes.”
2. The right-less woman admitted she had no “right” to mercy.
3. She saw herself in the parable and answered boldly.
4. Second-party faith in Jesus can deliver a distance miracle.



We do not presume to come to this your table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table, but you are the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.

- The Book of Common Prayer

