

# “Jesus, Man of Action”

Mark 7:24- 7:37

*And He gave them orders not to tell anyone;  
but the more He ordered them,  
the more widely they continued to proclaim it.  
And they were utterly astonished, saying,  
“He has done all things well;  
He makes even the deaf to hear, and the dumb to speak.”*  
Mark 7:36-37, NAS

## The Outline

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## The Words

**Daughter** - θυγάτριον - little daughter, dear daughter: a diminutive derivative of θυγάτηρ “daughter,” with possible emphasis upon young age and probable implication of affection.

**Gentile** - Ἑλληνίς - Greek woman, non-Jewish woman: a woman of Greek culture and language. Ἑλληνίς is to be understood in the sense of non-Jewish, for the account seems to focus upon the fact that this woman who was not a Jewess nevertheless displayed remarkable faith and confidence in Jesus’ ability to help.

**Demon** - δαιμόνιον - a heathen god, minor divinity (Acts 17:18); predominantly: demon, evil spirit, regarded as a supernatural and independent being neither human nor divine (Matthew 7:22). Notice that she uses a heathen term for what elsewhere is referred to as an evil spirit.

**Dog** - κυνάριον - puppy, little dog, house or lap dog: diminutive of κύων which is the usual word for dog.

**Crumb** - ψιχίον - small crumb, scrap (of food): diminutive of ψίξ *crumb, morsel, little bit* (Matthew 15:27).

**Child** - παιδίον - small child, dear child, infant: diminutive of παῖς which is the usual word for child.

**Order** - διαστέλλω - to state with force and/or authority what others must do: order, give strict orders, command (Hebrews 12:20); when followed by a negative: prohibit, forbid (Matthew 16:20).

**Utterly Astonished** - ἐκπλήσσω - be amazed or astounded, be struck with astonishment (Matthew 7:28); be overwhelmed, be bewildered (Matthew 19:25).