How To Study The Bible

Study 7 — Tools For Determining The Meaning
The Plan

Session 1  Why Study The Bible?
Session 2  Why We Can Trust the Bible
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Session 9  How To Apply The Meaning
SMA – Pattern Of The Saints

What Does It Say?

What Does It Mean?

How Does It Apply?
SMA – Four Reading Steps!

Read 1: Big Picture
Read 2: Details
Read 3: The Action
Read 4: The Meaning

- Read once
- Who, When, What, Where
- Words, Phrases
- What does it mean?
Now Read Matthew 15:21-28

1. Ask some of the following questions to determine what the passage says:
   
   Who is mentioned in the passage?
   What happened?
   When?
   Where?
   Why?
   How?
   Who said what?

2. Mark 7:24-30 is a parallel passage.

3. What are the key words, verbs and phrases?
Consider These Words & Phrases

- Tyre
- Sidon
- Canaanite
- Cry out
- Son of David
- Demon
- Disciples
- Implored
- Lost sheep
- House of Israel
- Children’s bread
- Dogs
Consider Greek Meaning of Words

Matthew 15:22
- Cry out
- Saying

Matthew 15:23
- Implored

Matthew 15:25
- Saying
- Help

Matthew 15:26, 27
- Dogs

Matthew 15:28
- Instantly
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Matthew 15:21-28

Sidon
Region of Tyre

JOURNEY to DISTRICT of TYRE & SIDÓN

TRANSFIGURATION

THE MESSIAH MUST DIE & RISE AGAIN

PRIVATELY through GALILEE

UPPER GALILEE

GAULANITIS

From TYRE & SIDON through DECAPOLIS
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CA’NAAN, CA’NAANITES (kā’nan, kā’na-nīt). In Gen. 10:6, 15-18, Canaan is listed as the fourth son of Ham, the father of “Sidon, his first-born, and Heth and the Jebusite and the Amorite and the Girgashite and the Hivite and the Arkite and the Sinite and the Arvadite and the Zemarite and the Hamathite.”

The Name. The Canaanites were the inhabitants of Canaan, the more ancient name of Pales-

New Unger’s Bible Dictionary
SYROPHOENICIAN

“Syrian language” (2 Kings 18:26; Isa. 36:11; both in KJV). A more correct rendering of this Heb. term (‘ārāmît) is Aramaic (which see.)

SYROPHOENI’CIAN (si-rō-pe-ni’shan). A general name (Mark 7:26) of a female inhabitant of the northern portion of Phoenicia, popularly called Syrophoenicia, by reason of its proximity to Syria and its absorption by conquest into that kingdom. The woman of Syrophoenicia appealed to Jesus to heal her daughter, who was possessed with a demon. When she came near to Him and worshiped, saying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord,” He replied, “It is not good to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs” (Math. 15:22). Whether this was to try her faith, or to show that at that time His work and mission were among Israel, is hard to determine. Her faith, however,
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DOGS

you shall throw it to the d.
dies in the city the d will eat.
dies in the city the d shall eat,
“In the place where the d licked
the d shall lick up your blood,
‘The d shall eat Jezebel in the
dies in the city, the d shall eat,
and the d licked up his blood
‘And the d shall eat Jezebel in
‘In the property of Jezreel the d
to put with the d of my flock.
For d have surrounded me;
The tongue of your d may have its
of them are dumb d unable to bark,
And the d are greedy, they are not
sword to slay, the d to drag off,
“Do not give what is holy to d,
bread and throw it to the d.”
but even the d feed on the crumbs
bread and throw it to the d.”
but even the d under the table
even the d were coming and licking
Beware of the d, beware of the
Outside are the d and the

Matthew 15:26
Strong's Numbers

Ex 22:31 3611
1Ki 14:11 3611
1Ki 16:4 3611
1Ki 21:19 3611
1Ki 21:23 3611
2Ki 9:10 3611
2Ki 9:36 3611
Jb 30:1 3611
Ps 22:16 3611
Ps 68:23 3611
Is 56:10 3611
Is 56:11 3611
Jer 15:3 3611
Mt 7:6 2965
Mt 15:26 2952
Mt 15:27 2952
Mk 7:27 2952
Mk 7:28 2952
Lk 16:21 2965
Php 3:2 2965
Rv 22:15 2965
Example

Strong’s Concordance

2952. κυνάριον kunarion; dim. of 2965; a little dog; — dogs(4).

2953. Κύπριος Kuprios; from 2954; of Cyprus; — Cyprian(2), Cyprus(4).

2954. Κύπρος Kupros; of unc. or.; Cyprus, an island at the east end of the Mediterranean Sea; — Cyprus(5).

2955. κυπτω kupto; from a prim. root kup; to stoop down; — stoop down(1), stooped(1).

2956. Κυρηναῖος Kurēnaios; from 2957; of Cyrene; — Cyrene(5), Cyrenians(1).

2957. Κυρήνη Kurēnē; of unc. or.; Cyrene, a city in N. Africa; — Cyrene(1).

2958. Κυρήνιος Kurēniōs; of Lat. or.; Quirinius, a governor of Syria; — Quirinius(1).

2959. κυρία kuria; fem. of 2962; a lady; — lady(2).

2960. κυριακός kuriakos; from 2962; of the Lord; — Lord’s(2).

2961. κυριεύω kurieuo; from 2962; to be lord of, rule; — has jurisdiction over(1), Lord(1), lord over(2), lords(1), master over(2).

2962. κύριος kurios; from κύρος kuros (authority); lord, master; — Lord(626), lord(10), Lord’s(12), lords(3), master(36), Master(2), master’s(3), masters(8), masters’(1), owner(6), owners(1), sir(11), sirs(1).
Example

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And He answered and said, “It is not good to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.”

4.35 κυνάριον, ou n (diminutive of κύων) ‘dog,’ 4.34, but in the NT the diminutive force may have become lost, though a component of emotive attachment or affection is no doubt retained and thus the reference is presumably to a house dog—‘house dog, little dog.’ τὰ κυνάρια ἐσθίει ἀπὸ τῶν ψυχίων τῶν πιπτόντων ἀπὸ τῆς τραπέζης ‘the dogs eat the crumbs falling from the table’ Mt 15:27.

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- Cry out κάραζω . . . “to shout” (imperfect)
- Saying λέγω . . . “to say” (present participle)

Matt. 15:23
- Implored ἔρωτάω . . . “to beg” (imperfect)

Matt. 15:25
- Saying λέγω . . . . “to say” (imperfect)
- Help βοηθέω . . . ”to supply what is needed” (imperative)

Matt. 15:26,27
- Dogs κυνάριον . . . “pet dog”

Matt. 15:28
- Instantly ἀπὸ ὁ ὃρα ἔκεινος . . . “from that hour”
Verb Actions:

- Present participle . . . “ongoing action”
- Imperfect . . . “repeated action”
- Aorist . . . “completed action”
- Perfect . . . “completed action with lasting result”
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Example
Sarah - Satan
IN THE TRENCHES

Context

Background
- Key words
- Key phrases

Step back .........

Cross References?

Opinion of others?

What does it mean?

A logical thread leads to ...

THE POINT
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“Things To Do”
Assignment

• Read Matthew 15:21-28 and Mark 7:24-30.

• Determine what it says.

• Outline the passage.

• Determine the meaning.