

2021 Bible Study Questions

“EPHPHATHA!”

Mark 7:24-37

Key Verse: 7:34

1. Where did Jesus go (24a)? Why do you think he wanted to keep his presence secret (24b)? Who came to Jesus and with what unusual problem (25-26)? What does this show about her?
2. What did Jesus say and what does it mean (27)? Why do you think Jesus said such a harsh thing to her? What does her response show about her attitude toward Jesus (28)? How did Jesus bless her reply (29-30)? What can we learn here about Jesus?
3. Where did Jesus go next and who was brought to him (31-32)? Consider his challenges being deaf and mute. What unusual things did Jesus do to heal him (33-34)? What could “Ephphatha!” mean to Jesus’ disciples and us (Mk 4:23-24)? What happened (35)?
4. What instructions did Jesus give the people (36)? How did the people react (37)? What does this event reveal about who Jesus is (Isa 35:5,6)?
5. What do these two events reveal about Jesus and his ministry to the Gentiles (Isa 49:6)?