

Series: Mark (Jesus - the Son of God)

Sermon: Destroy Obstacles

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Obstacles are _____; but *my response* _____ *the story*.

The woman faces one of the worst obstacles ever: her daughter is possessed by a demon. Not only the child's health and sanity, but _____ in the balance.

The woman found a _____ her obstacle: *JESUS CHRIST!* So, she doesn't care how busy Jesus is – she immediately goes to him.

Being a Canaanite in the presence of Jesus was _____ for her – her people were Jesus' and Israel's _____!!

This Canaanite woman _____ to follow Jesus.

The woman was _____ despite her obstacles. She didn't give up.

She didn't just persist, she persisted in _____. He was _____, Savior, and Healer. She abandoned her old life to follow Christ's ways.

She's going to JESUS because JESUS IS:

1. Lord – he _____ authority.
2. God – he _____ authority.
3. Healer – he has the heart to heal.

Through all of that, she experienced **healing** _____! God _____ **obstacle up!**

The Scriptural Pattern

_____ Arises

Solution Arises

Action is Taken and the _____ is Left

Persistence in Pursuing God is Chosen

Healing is Experienced

REALITY: I will face enormous **obstacles** _____.

REALITY: A **solution** will present itself, meaning, God will _____ somehow.

REALITY: I need to take **action** for good, while also _____. God will provide.

REALITY: I must _____ **pursuing** God because **obstacles** will pop up to _____ me.

How Do I Surrender to God and Persist in Pursuing Him?

1. To persist, I must _____ to God.
2. I should _____. This keeps my mind focused.
3. The right community around me _____ persevere in God.