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- * Communion is gluten-free and travel communion is available.

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Leftovers by Jim Faughn

I once knew a family that got a lot of free pies. The reason was that there was an elderly gentleman who refused to eat leftovers and wanted his wife to fix a fresh pie nearly every day. After they ate two fresh pieces of pie, they gave it to this family.

Some approach all of life this way. The "leftovers of life" are of no interest to them. Amazingly, some seem to even approach God that way. The attitude they display is one of making demands on God and expecting Him to satisfy every desire and cater to every whim. Of course, those desires and expectations must be met with nothing but the best. "Leftovers" would never do.

Reading Matthew 15:21-28 could be in order here. The woman in this account had a very real need. Every time I read it, I am amazed at how much pride she swallowed. In verse twenty-seven, she indicates she would be perfectly satisfied with the Lord's "leftovers" if it would help her daughter.

To be specific, she told Jesus that "crumbs" would be all right. As you are no doubt aware, when Jesus saw that attitude demonstrated by her, He commended her for having great faith

Her attitude expressed and demonstrated would still be most pleasing to our Lord. This is the attitude that puts Him, not me, on the throne. It puts me in the position of humility and obedience. That is not a position which is very appealing to many. It is, however, a position we can occupy which will allow us to be truly blessed.

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James 1:2-4, "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything."