Jesus Listens and Heals
Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28

Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.
Matthew 15:28

In today's bible story, Jesus and his disciples meet a woman who was from a different group of people than them. She begged for Jesus to help her very sick daughter. At first, it seemed like Jesus would not help her or her daughter because she was different from him; but, the woman did not give up, she said clearly what she needed and why. Jesus was convinced and said that the woman had great faith; and, because of it, her daughter was healed. Sometimes, when there are things that we really needed, we have to ask for them. Sometimes, we have to keep asking, telling what we need and why. Sometimes we have to speak up and talk to other people to change their minds in order to get the help we need. Many of us have heard of Black Lives Matter. Many of the people who are a part of this group speak up to say what they need in their community, their country, and the world. Here are some coloring and journaling pages that help us learn more about some of the things they believe we all need in order to live together and help us think about what those things mean for us. These things make us think about the woman who talked to Jesus. Through prayer, we always can ask God for the things that we really need.
What We Believe

BLACK LIVES MATTER

A BLACK LIVES MATTER
Principles Coloring Book

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There are lots of different kinds of people and one way that we're different is the color of our skin. It's important to make sure that all people are treated fairly, and that's why we, and lots of other people all over the country and the world are part of the Black Lives Matter movement.
UNAPOLOGETICALLY BLACK

What are some things about yourself that you are proud of?
Different people do different things and have different feelings. It's so important that we have lots of different kinds of people in our community and that everyone feels safe.
DIVERSITY

Think about your friends. What are some of the ways you are different from them?
It’s so important to think about how other people feel, because different people have different feelings. Sometimes it helps to think about how you would feel if the same thing that happened to your friend happened to you. Another way to say that is empathy.
EMPATHY  What is something you learned from someone who is different from you?
It's so important to make sure that we are always trying to be fair and peaceful, and to engage with other people (treat other people) with love. We have to keep practicing this so that we can get better and better at it.
LOVING ENGAGEMENT

Think of a time you worked hard to make sure you were fair and peaceful with another person. What helped you be able to keep practicing justice and peace?
Globalism means that we are thinking about all the different people all over the world, and thinking about the ways to keep things fair everywhere.
GLOBALISM What do you hope for other children and families around the world? What questions do you have for them?

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