

## 1. This man wanted to travel with Jesus.

**\*\*Mark 5:18** “As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with Him.”

## 2. This man was instructed to tell others about Jesus.

**\*\*Mark 5:19** “Jesus did not let him, but said, “Go home to your family and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.”

## 3. This man left and told the world about Jesus.

**\*\*Mark 5:20** “So the man went away and began to tell in the Decapolis how much Jesus has done for him. And all the people were amazed.”

### How can we apply this lesson to our life?

#### A. God can snatch anyone from the grip of Satan and save them.

**I Timothy 1:15** “Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners – of whom I am the worst.”

**I Timothy 1:13** “I was once a blasphemer, and a persecutor and a violent man.”

**I Timothy 1:16b** “... worst of sinners, ....”

#### B. God wants us to share the gospel and not give up.

**Matthew 28:19** “Therefore, go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

#### C. God supernaturally transforms the new believer and makes them a new creation.

**Philippians 1:21** “For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.”

**Philippians 1:13** “For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to His good purpose.”

## A Transformed Life

**Mark 5:1-20**

**Lesson #20**

**10-26-25**

### I. Jesus was approached by a man in need.

#### A. This man was controlled by demons.

**\*\*Mark 5:1** “They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes.”

**\*\*Mark 5:2** “When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an evil spirit came from the tombs to meet Him.”

**Mark 7:26** “The woman was Greek, born in Syrian Phoenicia. She begged Jesus to drive the demon out of her daughter.”

**Matthew 12:22** “Then they brought Him a demon possessed man who was blind and mute, and Jesus healed him, so that, he could both talk and see.”

#### B. This man lived in the caves of the dead.

**\*\*Mark 5:3a** “This man lived in the tombs, ....”

#### C. He was completely naked.

**Luke 8:27** “When Jesus stepped ashore, He was met by a demon-possessed man from the town. For a long time, this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs.”

#### D. He was violent and could not be chained.

**\*\*Mark 5:3b** “... and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain.”

**\*\*Mark 5:4** “For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him.”

**Matthew 8:28b** “... They were so violent that no one could pass that way.”

#### E. He cried out alone, night and day.

**\*\*Mark 5:5** “Night and day among the tombs and in the hills, he would cry out and cut himself with stones.”

**Luke 8:29b** "... he ... had been driven by the demon into solitary places."

## II. Jesus addressed the man in need.

### A. The demon acknowledged who Jesus is!

**\*\*Mark 5:6** "When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of Him."

**\*\*Mark 5:7** "He shouted at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? Swear to God that you won't torture me!"

**Psalms 18:13** "The LORD thundered from heaven; the voice of the Most High resounded."

**Daniel 3:26** "Nebuchadnezzar then approached the opening of the blazing furnace and shouted, "Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, servants of the Most High God, come out! Come here!"

**Daniel 5:18** "O king, the Most High God gave your father Nebuchadnezzar sovereignty and greatness and glory and splendor."

**Matthew 8:29** "What do you want with us, Son of God?" they shouted. "Have you come here to torture us before the appointed time?"

**\*\*Mark 5:7b** "... Swear to God that you won't torture me!"

**\*\*Mark 5:8** "For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, "You evil spirit!"

### B. The Lord asked the demon to share its name!

**\*\*Mark 5:9a** "Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" ...

**\*\*Mark 5:9b** "... "My name is Legion," he replied, "for we are many."

**Luke 8:30** "Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "Legion," he replied, because many demons had gone into him."

**\*\*Mark 5:10** "And he begged Jesus again and again NOT to send them out of the area."

**Luke 8:31** "And they begged him repeatedly NOT to order them to go into the Abyss."

**Matthew 25:41** "Then He will say to those on His left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire' prepared for the devil and his angels."

## III. Jesus assisted the man in need.

### A. The Lord relieved the man of demon control.

**\*\*Mark 5:11** "A large herd of pigs was feeding on the nearby hillside."

**\*\*Mark 5:12** "The demons begged Jesus, "Send us among the pigs; allow us to go into them."

**\*\*Mark 5:13** "He gave them permission, and the evil spirits came out and went into the pigs. The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned."

**Matthew 8:32** "He said to them, "Go!" So, they came out and went into the pigs, and the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and died in the water."

### B. This transformed man wanted to remain with Jesus.

**\*\*Mark 5:14** "Those tending the pigs ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what happened."

**\*\*Mark 5:15** "When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind, and they were afraid."

**\*\*Mark 5:16** "Those who had seen it told the people what had happened to the demon-possessed man – and told about the pigs as well."

**Luke 8:35** "And the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid."

**\*\*Mark 5:17** "Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region."

**Luke 8:37** "Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So, he got into the boat and left."

### C. The transformed man reached out to others.