

Here We Come!

Mark 4:35-41; 5:1-10

- First of all, explain what is taking place in the county of the Gadarenes.
 - o Legion is a roman term used to describe a general who commands 3000 to 6000 foot soldiers.
 - o So, this demon that is talking to Jesus is a general demon who is probably in command of 3 to 6000 demons. He did say we are many.
 - o Notice in Mark 5:10, the general demon begs Jesus not to cast them out of the country or the territory.
 - They didn't care about the man. They had the whole country in bondage.
 - Governments of demons with delegated authority can control areas. They are more concerned with whole area's than they are with individuals.
- Mark 4:35 let us go to the other side
 - o Jesus was saying here that we have an assignment to go to a country that is under the control of a demonic government.
 - o I would like to think that if the disciples could've handled it at the time, Jesus would've said let's go and invade some demon territory.
 - o I would like to suggest to you that our assignment at Hope Church in this season is to invade the demon bound areas around us.
 - o Like the soldiers storming the beaches of Normandy to overthrow the evil dictatorship of Germany.
- Mark 4:36 even as He was
 - o Sometimes you got to go even as you are.
 - o This text is not specific as to why they had to leave this way but if I could take some liberty with this text and come up with my own conclusion, I would say that it was because they had no time.
 - If I'm going to go somewhere and I have to go just like I am, it usually means I don't have time to change.
 - o I believe the assignment was so demanding that they didn't have time to change and rest. They had to go just like they were.
 - I believe this assignment on Hope Church is so demanding that we are going to have to go just like we are.
 - Some of you may think you're not ready or you need to change some things, or you are too tired because you've been through too much. But God is saying you got to go just like you are and trust me.
- Mark 4:37 there arose a great storm.
 - o I don't believe this was some random storm brought on by a weather system. I believe this was a demonically inspired storm.
 - Number one, we see from Job that demons can stir up the wind.

- I believe this general demon had demon scouts out casing the perimeter of their territory and they detected Jesus coming and went back and told the general. Then the general sent some demons out to stir up the wind against the disciples and Jesus.
 - Understand that when you are assigned to invade Satan's territory, you will show up on his radar and he will actively work to stop you.
- Not everything you are going through is a natural issue. There are things that the enemy is stirring up against you because he knows you are coming for His territory.
 - The problem with thinking everything is natural and not having spiritual discernment is you can't fix a spiritual issue with natural means.
 - If you think it's natural and it's spiritual, you're going to try to get rid of the devil with natural products which isn't going to work.
 - But spiritual enemies can only be stopped with spiritual weapons.
- Nothing happened until Jesus woke up.
 - In this season of our ministry, the Jesus on our boat is going to have to wake up on the inside of us.
 - The authority of the almighty God is going to have to rise up within us if we are going to make it through the storms of this season.
- Mark 4:38 Jesus was asleep.
 - Notice the storm didn't wake Him. It was the cries of the fearful, unbelieving disciples.
 - Jesus was resting in His authority.
 - Understand that Jesus wasn't worried about what may transpire along the way. This assignment was going to be fulfilled because He knew He had authority over anything that could come against Him.
 - In this season of this ministry and your walk with God, there are going to be a lot of attacks of the enemy because he doesn't want us to succeed. So, we are going to have to rest in our authority.
 - It's either going to be let everything stress you out or rest knowing that you have the authority to put down anything the enemy can bring to resist you.

So, devil here we come. Here we come to invade your territory and put it back in the hands of the kingdom of God where it belongs. Here we come and we are not moved by anything you can say or do because we are coming resting in our authority.