

“Power Over Demons”

February 22, 2026 Pastor Todd McAllister
Mark 5:1-20

Geographical context: from Capernaum to Gerasenes

Possible _____ to leave a thriving ministry in Capernaum and travel to a Gentile area:

- _____ were from the area (Mark 3:7-8; Matthew 4:25)
- A _____ with an unclean spirit Mark 5:2

Importance of an individual in the eyes of God

Strategy for reaching an area

⇒ How important is the salvation of an individual to you?

“They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit.”

Mark 5:1-2

What are demons? _____ beings who chose to follow Lucifer when he fell.

What can be _____ about demons? Mark 5:4-10

_____ than men

Cause people to be _____

Cause people to self _____

Recognize Jesus

_____ stronger than Jesus

Know that they are _____ Matthew 8:29

Have names

Able to _____

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“Power Over Demons” (continued)

“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.” John 10:10

_____ of Jesus exercising His power over the demons
Mark 5:11-20

Herd of 2,000 pigs _____

Herdsmen told the story.

People _____ to see.

Demon possessed man _____

People afraid

People _____ Jesus to depart.

Man _____ to go with Jesus.

Jesus sent him home.

Man _____ what Jesus did.

Everyone _____ .

⇒ If you had been with Jesus, what would you have thought when you got back in the boat?

_____ of Jesus:

- _____ of individuals
- _____ to His commands
- _____ of His Gospel

⇒ How do your priorities compare to Jesus' priorities?

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What are demons? Angelic beings who chose to follow Lucifer when he fell.

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Stronger than men

Cause people to be miserable

Cause people to self harm

Recognize Jesus

Not stronger than Jesus

Know that they are doomed Matthew 8:29

Have names

Able to talk

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Results of Jesus exercising His power over the demons

Mark 5:11-20

Herd of 2,000 pigs destroyed

Herdsmen told the story.

People came to see.

Demon possessed man delivered

People afraid

People begged Jesus to depart.

Man begged to go with Jesus.

Jesus sent him home.

Man proclaimed what Jesus did.

Everyone marvelled.

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Priorities of Jesus:

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