

# DELIVERED FROM DEMONS

MARK 5:1-20

# Introduction (5:1)

**Mark 5:1 And they came over  
unto the other side of the sea,  
into the country of the  
Gadarenes.**

# I. The Demon Possessed Man Meets Jesus (5:2-5)

**Mark 5:2 And when he was  
come out of the ship,  
immediately there met him out  
of the tombs a man with an  
unclean spirit,**

**“Because they yielded to Satan, the thief, these two men lost everything! They lost their homes and the fellowship of their families and friends. They lost their decency as they ran around in the tombs naked.**

**Wiersbe, W. W. (1996). The Bible exposition commentary (Vol. 1, p. 125). Wheaton, IL: Victor Books.**

**“They lost their self-control and lived like wild animals, screaming, cutting themselves, and frightening the citizens. They lost their peace and their purpose for living, and they would have remained in that plight had Jesus not come through a storm to rescue them.”**

**Mark 5:3 Who had his dwelling  
among the tombs; and no man  
could bind him, no, not with  
chains:**

**Mark 5:4 Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: neither could any man tame him.**

**“See how the world deals with  
furiously guilty men. It tries to  
fetter them, or else to tame  
them; to keep them in check by  
fear of punishment, or else to  
subdue them to a gentleness of  
morality: poor work this!**

**“Christ neither binds nor tames;  
he changes and renews. Oh,  
that everywhere his aid were  
sought, and not so much  
reliance placed on the fetters of  
law, or the power of morals!”**

**(Spurgeon)**

**Mark 5:5 And always, night  
and day, he was in the  
mountains, and in the tombs,  
crying, and cutting himself with  
stones.**

## II. The Prayers of Those Who Met Jesus (5:6-17)

**Mark 5:6 But when he saw  
Jesus afar off, he ran and  
worshipped him,**

# A. The Prayers of the Demons

[7-16]

**Mark 5:7** And cried with a loud voice, and said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of the most high God? I adjure thee by God, that thou torment me not.

**Mark 5:8 For he said unto him,  
Come out of the man, thou  
unclean spirit.**

**Mark 5:9 And he asked him,  
What is thy name? And he  
answered, saying, My name is  
Legion: for we are many.**

**Mark 5:10 And he besought  
him much that he would not  
send them away out of the  
country.**

**"And they besought him that  
he would not command them  
to go out into the deep."**

**(Luke 8:31)**

**“It is encouraging to note that the demons did not know what Jesus planned to do. This suggests that Satan can know God’s plans only if God reveals them. In fact, there is no evidence in Scripture that Satan can read the mind of a believer, let alone the mind of God.”**

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**Mark 5:11 Now there was  
there nigh unto the mountains  
a great herd of swine feeding.**

**Mark 5:12 And all the devils  
besought him, saying, Send us  
into the swine, that we may  
enter into them.**

**Mark 5:13 And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the unclean spirits went out, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about two thousand;) and were choked in the sea.**

**Mark 5:14 And they that fed  
the swine fled, and told it in the  
city, and in the country. And  
they went out to see what it  
was that was done.**

**Mark 5:15 And they come to Jesus, and see him that was possessed with the devil, and had the legion, sitting, and clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.**

**“Though we are not tortured by the devil [I wonder?], yet he holds us as his slaves, till the Son of God delivers us from his tyranny. Naked, torn, and disfigured, we wander about, till he restores us to soundness of mind.”**

**(Calvin)**

Wessel, W. W. (1984). Mark. In F. E. Gaebelin (Ed.), *The Expositor's Bible Commentary: Matthew, Mark, Luke* (Vol. 8, p. 658). Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Publishing House.

**Mark 5:16 And they that saw it  
told them how it befell to him  
that was possessed with the  
devil, and also concerning the  
swine.**

# B. The Prayer of the People

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**Mark 5:17 And they began to  
pray him to depart out of their  
coasts.**

# C. The Prayer of the Young Man [18-19]

**Mark 5:18 And when he was  
come into the ship, he that had  
been possessed with the devil  
prayed him that he might be  
with him.**

**Mark 5:19 Howbeit Jesus  
suffered him not, but saith unto  
him, Go home to thy friends,  
and tell them how great things  
the Lord hath done for thee, and  
hath had compassion on thee.**

# III. The Publishing of the Gospel (5:20)

**Mark 5:20 And he departed,  
and began to publish in  
Decapolis how great things  
Jesus had done for him: and all  
men did marvel.**