

MESSAGE NOTES

November 6, 2011

His Power Over Evil, Our Hope

Mark 5:1-20

#8 The Reason for Hope Series

Complexity of Evil

Development of Evil

Defeat of Evil

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November 7-12, 2011

MONDAY

Read Mark 5:1-20. Who is involved in this story? Summarize the interactions that take place. What is the main point of the story?

TUESDAY

Read Mark 5:1-13. As they encounter Jesus, what are the responses of both the man in the tombs and the demons that indwell him? What can we infer from these responses? Compare Jesus' interactions with the demons in this passage with Mark 1:32-39. How do Jesus' actions in Mark 1 serve as an example for our lives as we live amidst the spiritual forces of evil?

WEDNESDAY

Read Mark 5:12-17. How do the local Gentiles respond to Jesus' exchange with the demons named "Legion"? Compare the townspeople's concern for their pigs (i.e., their livelihood) with their concern for the man in the tombs. Contrast their concern with Jesus' concern for the man and the swine. How do your actions reveal your concern for your own material well-being compared to your concern for others' spiritual well-being?

THURSDAY

Read Mark 5:1-5, 18-20. Where was the man living? Note: that his association with death would have made him "unclean" according to Jewish law and that Jesus cast the unclean spirits from the unclean man into unclean animals. Contrast his life and behavior before and after his encounter with Jesus. Contrast his response to Jesus with the townspeople's response to Jesus.

FRIDAY

Reread Mark 5:1-20. Review the story and identify each element that reveals the aspects of Jesus' identity and power. What are the two responses to Jesus in this passage? What is yours?

WEEKEND

Read John 15:18-27; Ephesians 6:10-20; and 2 Corinthians 10:1-6. What do these passages reveal about God's great enemy (and therefore our great enemy) and the nature of spiritual warfare? What does God provide for us as believers to experience His power, which is sovereign over evil? How are you presently taking advantage of these provisions?

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