

Then they came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gadarenes. ² And when He had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit, ³ who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no one could bind him, not even with chains,



MARK 5:1-5





⁴ because he had often been bound with shackles and chains. And the chains had been pulled apart by him, and the shackles broken in pieces; neither could anyone tame him. ⁵ And always, night and day, he was in the mountains and in the tombs, crying out and cutting himself with stones.



MARK 5:1-5





OUR OBSERVATIONS



This man **lived among the tombs**. This man is perpetually **unclean**.

This man sensed that Jesus has absolute power and authority.



No one could bind him with any chain because he would wrench the chains apart.

This man had numerous demons.





So those who fed the swine fled, and they told it in the city and in the country. And they went out to see what it was that had happened. ¹⁵ Then they came to Jesus, and saw the one who had been demon-possessed and had the legion, sitting and clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. ¹⁶ And those who saw it told them how it happened to him who had been demon-possessed, and about the swine.¹⁷ Then they began to plead with Him to depart from their region.





MARK 5:14-20





¹⁸ And when He got into the boat, he who had been demon-possessed begged Him that he might be with Him. ¹⁹ However, Jesus did not permit him, but said to him, "Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you." ²⁰ And he departed and began to proclaim in Decapolis all that Jesus had done for him; and all marveled.



MARK 5:14-20





PAY ATTENTION TO THE RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE



They were afraid of Jesus disrupting their lives.





They were willing to live with the demoniac because he became part of their lifestyle.





SPIRITUAL APATHY

Spiritual apathy is a feeling of indifference or even coldness to the things of God.

our spiritual vibrancy.



To be content with apathy and to be content with sin in our lives is like a daily injection of poison into





PATHS WE CAN TAKE

The demoniac who embraced Jesus' forming of his life and he was willing to follow Jesus wherever He went.



The town's people who begged Him to leave.





¹⁴ And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: 'The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's creation.¹⁵'l know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! ¹⁶ So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth.





REVELATION 3:14-22





¹⁷ For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. ¹⁸ I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see.









¹⁹ Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. ²⁰ Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me.²¹ The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. ²² He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."









³¹ Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³² And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him.



MARK 7:31-32





JESUS CAME BACK

He was sidelined due to his past, but was **placed on the frontlines** by Jesus.

His fruits were evident.

The **people became zealous** because of the testimony which they have heard from the man.





