

JESUS HEALS A DEMON-POSSESSED MAN
Luke 8:27-39
(Parallel Passages: Matt 8:28-34; Mark 5:1-20)

INTRODUCTION:

All three of the Synoptic Gospels record the encounter of Jesus with Legion. This “certain man” was demon-possessed or controlled by demons.

- “And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him” (Luke 8:30).

In this message, we will study the revelation of three forces:

- I. **THE DESTRUCTIVE POWER OF DEMONS** (vv. 26-28,, 29b; Matt 8:28)
 - A. The Story of His Problem
 - B. Characteristics of Demons (Matt 12:43-45; 26-27; 1 Tim 4:1-2; 1 John 2:19)
 - C. Demons (evil spirits) are enemies of Christ and of man (Eph 2:2; Rev 9:20-21)
 - D. The Demon Recognized Jesus (v. 28; Matt 25:41; Rev 20:10)

- II. **THE DELIVERING POWER OF CHRIST** (vv. 29a, 30-35)
 - A. Christ “commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man” (v. 29a; 1 John 4:4; Rom 8:31)
 - B. Jesus asked the demon-possessed man – “What is thy Name?” (v. 30, 32-33, 35; Luke 8:25).

- III. **THE INCRIMINATING POWER OF SIN** (vv. 36-39)
 - A. Definition of Sin (vv. 36-39; 1 John 5:17)
 - B. The Crowd Saw the once Demon-Possessed Man was Healed (vv. 36-37).
 - C. The Crowd was Grippled with “Great Fear” (v. 37; John 3:19; 2 Cor 4:4)
 - D. This Healed Man – whom the demons had gone out of was begging Jesus that he might accompany Him (v. 38; Luke 8:39)

CONCLUSION:

- A. Christ has power and authority over Demons – Evil Spirits.

- B. Christ died for All – Salvation is available to all – Regardless of a Person’s sin or how long he has been living in sin.

- C. The healed man obeyed Christ and so should we (Matt 28:19-20)

- D. Since Jesus Came Into My Heart

- E. Romans Road to Salvation (Rom 3:10, 23; 5:8; 10:9, 13)

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“... the word of our God shall stand for ever” (Isa 40:8).