

Calvary Chapel Cajon

Women's Bible Studies

Mark 5

Lesson 4

In Mark 5, several requests were made of Jesus. The demons requested that Jesus send them into pigs, the people of Gadara requested that He leave their town, the former demoniac requested to follow Jesus, and the ruler of the synagogue requested that He heal his daughter. We also have the story of a woman who took from Jesus without asking. Jesus responded to each one, giving us insight into the Son of Man as He related to the heart of man. Watch His ways and watch His heart.

DAY ONE: Read Mark 5

1. Read through this week's verses using both your Observation Worksheets and another Bible translation or paraphrase. After reading through these verses, what would you say to someone if they asked you what they were about?

2. How would you title this chapter? Record your title on the **Chapter Titles Chart**.

3. At the right-hand side of the same chart are columns labeled **Key Word** and **Symbols**. They have been provided for you to record the key words and the symbol you have chosen to represent each one. Record the key words listed below and their symbols on the chart.

God, Jesus, and immediately/at once

New to this lesson: *faith/believe* (mark these words with the same symbol)

Now, using the symbols you have chosen, mark each of the key words each time they are used in Mark 5. Remember, as you mark the key words *God* and *Jesus*, to mark any personal pronouns that refer to Them.

4. Scan the many references to Jesus in this chapter. List five things revealed about Him.

DAY TWO: Read Mark 5:1-20

1. When Jesus and His disciples *came to the other side of the sea, who met Him out of the tombs?* verse 2
 - a. Using verses 3-5, describe this man.
 - b. What did he do when he saw Jesus? verses 6-7
 - c. What did Jesus say? verse 8
 - d. When Jesus asked the demoniac *What is your name?*, what did he tell Him? verse 9
 - e. Describe what happened next. verses 10-14
2. The people who knew about the event, *began to plead with Jesus to depart from their region* (verse 17). The one *who had been demon-possessed begged Him that he might be with Him*. Jesus had another assignment for this man. What was it? verse 19
 - a. How did the man who had been demon-possessed respond to Jesus' command? verse 20
3. What difference did you observe that Jesus made in the man's life?
 - a. Demon-possession is not as prevalent in our society today as it is in some mission fields. Notice that verse 6 records that he *worshipped* Jesus. Here we have a being, incorrigible in his nature, destined to be damned for all eternity, one of the cohorts of Satan, bending the knee to Jesus. Record the words of Philippians 2:10.
 - 1.) Why is it better to bow to Jesus as your personal Lord, rather than only as Lord?
4. Consider the response of Peter's mother-in-law to her healing in Mark 1:31. What did she do?

- a. Now, consider the reaction of the man who was demon-possessed. How do their responses to God's touch and healing in their lives challenge you?

Challenge: We see in this story the reaction of both the satanic world and society to the presence of Jesus. Neither wanted Him there. Why do you think the people of Gadara wanted Jesus to leave?

DAY THREE: Read Mark 5:21-24

1. After healing the demoniac, Jesus got back in the boat and crossed the sea to the other side. What does this say to you about the importance of His work in the *country of the Gadarenes*?

2. This time, *a great multitude gathered to Him*. One crowd (those in Gadara) sighed with relief as they saw Jesus leave, but another crowd was waiting to welcome Him when He returned home to Capernaum. In that latter crowd stood Jairus, *one of the rulers of the synagogue*. What was Jairus' concern?
 - a. What did Jairus do and say that revealed his faith?

3. Luke 13:14 records the response of another *synagogue ruler* to Jesus. What did he do?
 - a. We can be quick to judge or not care until we are personally challenged. Jairus did not seem to care about his reputation or the expectations of his peers. What can we learn from Jairus' example?

DAY FOUR: Read Mark 5:25-34

1. Jairus was an important synagogue official. There was another in the crowd who was an anonymous nobody. How is she described in Mark 5:25,26?
 - a. Having similar faith to Jairus, but not the same confidence to approach Jesus, what did she do? verse 27
 - b. What did she think? verse 28
 - c. What happened when she *touched Jesus' clothes*? verse 29
 - d. Jesus *immediately* knew *that power had gone out of Him*. What did He ask? verse 30
 - e. What did the *disciples* say to Jesus? verse 31
 - f. What did the woman do? verse 33
2. Consider the way this woman sought healing and the way she responded after she was healed. Why do you think she approached Jesus the way she did?
 - a. What do her actions say to you about her faith?
 - 1.) We saw in the healing of the leper in Mark 1:40-41 that Jesus' will is involved in healing. Scan the following verses and record another necessary element: Mark 10:52, Luke 7:50, Luke 17:19, Luke 18:42.
 - b. Reread verse 33. Although the woman believed Jesus could heal her, what does her reaction of fear and trembling reveal about her knowledge of Him?
 - 1.) We know God is powerful. What other attributes of God are important to know when we come to Him?

Challenge: Share a few scriptures about some of your favorite attributes of God.

3. The woman touched Jesus' clothing and was healed. According to Acts 5:15 and Acts 19:11,12, how were people healed?
 - a. Jesus allowed those He healed to worship Him. Although it would have been tempting for the disciples to receive worship, in whose name did they always point to? Acts 3:6
 - 1.) Give some specific examples of opportunities we have to give the credit to Jesus.
4. Read Jesus' response in Mark 5:34. Share one thing from His response that blesses you.

DAY FIVE: Read Mark 5:35-43

1. *While Jesus was still speaking to the woman, some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house with some troubling news. What did they say to Jairus? verse 35*
 - a. What words are recorded in the following verses that show Jesus was not troubled?
 - verse 36
 - verse 39
2. Place yourself as an eye witness at the scene and relate the event recorded in Mark 5:37-43 as you would to a friend.
3. Share something this event revealed about Jesus.

DAY SIX: Review Mark 5

1. The man who was demon-possessed wanted to follow Jesus by being physically with Him. What can we learn from this story about serving Jesus in the way He has called us to serve?
2. The woman healed of the issue of blood, reacted to Jesus' questions with *fear and trembling*. Jesus reassured her with His words. Think of a time you have been afraid of God. What words of Jesus helped to calm you?
3. Describe the power of Jesus as displayed in this chapter.
4. The demons, the ruler of the synagogue, and the woman with the issue of blood all worshiped Jesus. Compare their worship.
5. It seems like Jesus says to us "*believe and I will work*"; we say "*work and I will believe*". Why do you think it is important to *believe* first?
6. Share something from this lesson that has impacted you and how you plan to respond.

Jesus said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?"

- John 11:40

Chapter Five

¹Then they came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gadarenes. ²And when He had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit, ³who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no one could bind him, not even with chains, ⁴because 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. ⁵And always, night and day, he was in the mountains and in the tombs, crying out and cutting himself with stones. ⁶When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and worshiped Him. ⁷And he cried out with a loud voice and said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I implore You by God that You do not torment me." ⁸For He said to him, "*Come out of the man, unclean spirit!*" ⁹Then He asked him, "*What is your name?*" And he answered, saying, "My name is Legion; for we are many." ¹⁰Also he begged Him earnestly that He would not send them out of the country. ¹¹Now a large herd of swine was feeding there near the mountains. ¹²So all the demons begged Him, saying, "Send us to the swine, that we may enter them." ¹³And at once Jesus gave them permission. Then the unclean spirits went out and entered the swine (there were about two thousand); and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and drowned in the sea. ¹⁴So 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. ¹⁵Then 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. ¹⁶And those who saw it told them how it happened to him who had been demon-possessed, and about the swine. ¹⁷Then they began to plead with Him to depart from their region. ¹⁸And when He got into the boat, he who had been demon-possessed begged Him that he might be with Him. ¹⁹However, 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.*" ²⁰And he departed and began to proclaim in Decapolis all that Jesus had done for him; and all marveled. ²¹Now when Jesus had crossed over again by boat to the other side, a great multitude gathered to Him; and He was by the sea. ²²And behold, one of the rulers of the synagogue came, Jairus by name. And when he saw Him, he fell at His feet ²³and begged Him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter lies at the point of death. Come and lay Your hands on her, that she may be healed, and she will live." ²⁴So Jesus went with him, and a great multitude followed Him and thronged Him. ²⁵Now a certain woman had a flow of blood for twelve years, ²⁶and had suffered many things from many physicians. She had spent all that she had and was no better, but rather grew worse. ²⁷When she heard about Jesus, she came behind Him in the crowd and touched His garment. ²⁸For she said, "If only I may touch His clothes, I shall be made well." ²⁹Immediately the fountain of her blood was dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of the affliction. ³⁰And Jesus, immediately knowing in Himself that power had gone out of Him, turned around in the crowd and said, "*Who touched My clothes?*" ³¹But His disciples said to Him, "You see the multitude thronging You, and You say, '*Who touched Me?*'" ³²And He looked around to see her who had done this thing. ³³But the woman, fearing and trembling, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell down before Him and

told Him the whole truth. ³⁴And He said to her, "*Daughter, your faith has made you well. Go in peace, and be healed of your affliction.*" ³⁵While He was still speaking, some came from the ruler of the synagogue's house who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" ³⁶As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken, He said to the ruler of the synagogue, "*Do not be afraid; only believe.*" ³⁷And He permitted no one to follow Him except Peter, James, and John the brother of James. ³⁸Then He came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and saw a tumult and those who wept and wailed loudly. ³⁹When He came in, He said to them, "*Why make this commotion and weep? The child is not dead, but sleeping.*" ⁴⁰And they ridiculed Him. But when He had put them all outside, He took the father and the mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying. ⁴¹Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, "*Talitha, cumi,*" which is translated, "*Little girl, I say to you, arise.*" ⁴²Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement. ⁴³But He commanded them strictly that no one should know it, and said that something should be given her to eat.