

A Disciple Of Love Pt6

Legion

MARK 4:35

35. *And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side.*

MARK 5:1-6

1. *And they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes.*
2. *And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit,*
3. *Who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains:*
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.*
5. *And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones.*
6. *But when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped him,*

AND THEN JESUS CAME [57-0302]

One day, way down in the land of Gadara, no doubt a sociable, God-fearing citizen, once lived. And he got out with the wrong crowd. Maybe just married and had two or three little kiddies. But he got mixed up in the wrong group.

And that's where many a young man and young woman loses out, getting mixed up in the wrong group, the wrong--wrong associates.

And so, one night they taken him out, give him a drink. "Oh, play a little game, or do this, or gamble a little. It won't hurt." Then the first devil entered him. He went home and had to tell his wife a lie. The second devil entered him. And on till he was possessed with a legion, and **he'd got beyond any help.**

MARK 5:9

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

THE RESURRECTION OF JAIRUS' DAUGHTER [54-0331]

...that maniac was so--so completely surrendered to Satan, Satan used his tongue.

ROMANS 6:16

16. *Know ye not, that **to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey;** whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?*

AND THEN JESUS CAME [57-0302] If the devil can drive you into a barroom, or out in the street immorally, or doing the things of the world, which is contrary to your own nature. 'Cause you were born to be a son and daughter of God, and the devil can make you do things and cheat on your husband, cheat on your wife, steal, lie; how much more can God do when He gets full possession of you?

And this fellow legion, once a gentlemen, no hopes now; he's out in the tombs with the devil. And year after year he got worse and worse...

THE MANIAC OF GADARA [54-0720A] Seeing this poor old fellow, Legion, out there, maybe once in a while he'd come to himself; he'd just look, say, "What am I doing here? What--what..." Look there's chains all around him and things like that and his body all cut up. Then the devil would throw him into a spell and here he would go. Maybe he'd come to again and think, "I got a wife and children somewhere." And the first thing you know, the devil pull him into another spell, and here he go.

THE MANIAC OF GADARA [54-0720A] ...the landlord had done put his wife out. There's was no... Poor little thing, she prayed all the time, maybe, for him to be healed.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS [59-1223]

And you never cast a devil out by the wrong attitude. It takes love to do that.

HE CARES. DO YOU CARE? [63-0721] He cared when the neurotic called Legion cared enough, under opposition, to wiggle out from under those tombstones of devils and go out to meet Jesus, and throw himself prostrate. When, Legion! Them devils would have never come if Legion hadn't have pushed his way out there to meet Him. And when he cared enough to make that effort, that stand in his belief, Jesus cared enough to cast out this legion of devils from him, and his neurotic condition was gone. He cared when you care. Yes, sir. He cares when you care.

MARK 5:15

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.

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

THE MANIAC OF GADARA [54-0720A]

Jesus won't stay; don't worry. Where He's not welcome He won't stay.

GOD'S WRAPPED GIFT [60-1225] Poor old Legion, he was the only one that--that wanted help. He always comes to those who wants Him. He comes to those who needs Him. So he was the only one was helped.

THE HEALING OF JAIRUS' DAUGHTER [55-0227E]

Legion wanted the revival all right. He was ready, but the rest of them didn't want it.

MARK 5:18-20

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

THE MANIAC OF GADARA [54-0720A]

I can see him go down the street. Some of them say, "Well, who's that old guy going there?"

Said, "Glory, hallelujah." They said, "That guy's still crazy. There he goes."

Went down the street, "Oh, hallelujah, praise the Lord."

Well, they said, "There's one thing about it: he's got some clothes on. Something surely has happened to him."

CHURCH AGE BOOK

A son of God can go a long time before he recognizes that he is a son. In fact a lot of true Christians are like the story of the baby eagle that was hatched out under a hen.

JOHN 8:36 *If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.*

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME... [55-0116E] I'm wondering what happened to Legion's home when he got there. What a different home it was. Father, tonight, if there's anyone in here, maybe, not like Legion was, but still outside of Christ, that's never come in contact with Him... Maybe their home's all tore up, no peace, no happiness in their home, can't come in, set down with their wife and little children or with husband and little children, just all tore up, always touchy, and unpleasant around home; God, may they meet Jesus tonight, go home a different person.

THE MANIAC OF GADARA [54-0720A] And as it did for Legion that day, it'll do for daddy and mother both today. When you find Jesus, you'll never be the same. Legion could never be the same. No man could ever be the same, after once finding Jesus.