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Scripture Reading

Luke 8:26-39 (NASU)

²⁶ ^aThen they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.

²⁷ And when He came out onto the land, He was met by a man from the city who was possessed with demons; and who had not put on any clothing for a long time, and was not living in a house, but in the tombs.

²⁸ Seeing Jesus, he cried out and fell before Him, and said in a loud voice, "^{1a}What business do we have with each other, Jesus, Son of ^bthe Most High God? I beg You, do not torment me."

²⁹ For He had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For it had seized him many times; and he was bound with chains and shackles and kept under guard, and *yet* he would break his bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.

³⁰ And Jesus asked him, "**What is your name?**" And he said, "^aLegion"; for many demons had entered him.

³¹ They were imploring Him not to command them to go away into ^athe abyss.

³² Now there was a herd of many swine feeding there on the mountain; and *the demons* implored Him to permit them to enter ¹the swine. And He gave them permission.

³³ And the demons came out of the man and entered the swine; and the herd rushed down the steep bank into ^athe lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they ran away and reported it in the city and *out* in the country.

³⁵ *The people* went out to see what had happened; and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting down ^aat the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they became frightened.

³⁶ Those who had seen it reported to them how the man who was ^ademon-possessed had been ¹made well.

³⁷ And all the people of the country of the Gerasenes and the surrounding district asked Him to leave them, for they were gripped with great fear; and He got into a boat and returned.

³⁸ ^aBut the man from whom the demons had gone out was begging Him that he might ¹accompany Him; but He sent him away, saying,

³⁹ "**Return to your house and describe what great things God has done for you.**" So he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.

Luke 8:26-39 (NIV)

²⁶ They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes,^b which is across the lake from Galilee.

²⁷ When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demon-possessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs.

²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet, shouting at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don't torture me!"

²⁹ For Jesus had commanded the evil^c spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places.

³⁰ Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"

"Legion," he replied, because many demons had gone into him.

³¹ And they begged him repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss.

³² A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into them, and he gave them permission.

³³ When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

³⁴ When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside,

³⁵ and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus' feet, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid.

³⁶ Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured.

³⁷ Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and left.

³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying,

³⁹ "Return home and tell how much God has done for you." So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

Luke 8:26-39 (NLT)

26 So they arrived in the region of the Gerasenes,* across the lake from Galilee.

27 As Jesus was climbing out of the boat, a man who was possessed by demons came out to meet him. For a long time he had been homeless and naked, living in a cemetery outside the town.

28 As soon as he saw Jesus, he shrieked and fell down in front of him. Then he screamed, "Why are you interfering with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? Please, I beg you, don't torture me!"

29 For Jesus had already commanded the evil* spirit to come out of him. This spirit had often taken control of the man. Even when he was placed under guard and put in chains and shackles, he simply broke them and rushed out into the wilderness, completely under the demon's power.

30 Jesus demanded, "What is your name?"

"Legion," he replied, for he was filled with many demons.

31 The demons kept begging Jesus not to send them into the bottomless pit.*

32 There happened to be a large herd of pigs feeding on the hillside nearby, and the demons begged him to let them enter into the pigs.

So Jesus gave them permission.

33 Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the entire herd plunged down the steep hillside into the lake and drowned.

34 When the herdsmen saw it, they fled to the nearby town and the surrounding countryside, spreading the news as they ran.

35 People rushed out to see what had happened. A crowd soon gathered around Jesus, and they saw the man who had been freed from the demons. He was sitting at Jesus' feet, fully clothed and perfectly sane, and they were all afraid.

36 Then those who had seen what happened told the others how the demon-possessed man had been healed.

37 And all the people in the region of the Gerasenes begged Jesus to go away and leave them alone, for a great wave of fear swept over them.

So Jesus returned to the boat and left, crossing back to the other side of the lake.

38 The man who had been freed from the demons begged to go with him. But Jesus sent him home, saying,

39 "No, go back to your family, and tell them everything God has done for you." So he went all through the town proclaiming the great things Jesus had done for him.

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Acts 26:12-14

¹² "1 While so engaged ^aas I was journeying to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests, ¹³ at midday, O King, I saw on the way a light from heaven, ¹ brighter than the sun, shining all around me and those who were journeying with me. ¹

1 Cor 15:1,3-4

15 Now ^aI make known to you, brethren, the ^bgospel which I preached to you, which also you received, ^cin which also you stand,

³ For ^aI delivered to you ¹as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died ^bfor our sins ^caccording to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He was ^araised on the third day ^baccording to the Scriptures,

Acts 26:22

²² "So, having obtained help from God, I stand to this day ^atestifying both to small and great, stating nothing but what ^bthe Prophets and Moses said was going to take place;

James 1:22

²² ^aBut prove yourselves doers of the word, and not merely hearers who delude themselves.

John 4:29

²⁹ "Come, see a man ^awho told me all the things that I *have* done; ^bthis is not ¹the Christ, is it?"

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