

YOUNG TWIGS

year 3, week 13

Mark 5:1–20

Our God is Lord of all—even the demons understand this. If God can control demons, why doesn't He just get rid of them?

Observation: What does it say?

1. Read Mark 5:1–20. Mark key words: *Lord/pronouns, Jesus/pronouns, unclean spirit/demon.*
2. List the events in order.
3. Luke also records this event. Read Luke 8:26–39. Does this account add or change any of the events that you listed?
4. Matthew also records this event. Read Matthew 8:28–34. Does this account add or change any of the events you listed?
5. Mark also records another time that Jesus threw out unclean spirits. Read Mark 1:21–28. How is this event similar to the one in Mark 5?
6. What does the unclean spirit know about Jesus? What verses in Mk 1 and Mk 5 show this? Read James 2:19. How does this verse support your answer?

Interpretation: What does the author mean?

7. What do you learn about the relationship between demons and the Lord?

8. Why are the people “frightened” in Mark 5:15?

9. What does the man who had been demon-possessed want to do in verse Mark 5:18? Why do you think he wants to do this? What are Jesus’ instructions to him?

10. How did the demon-possessed man act? How does this match up with what you know about Satan? These verses will help you. John 10:10, 1 Peter 5:8–9, Ephesians 2:1–3.

Application: therefore, what shall I do?

11. Are people demon-possessed today? Can a Christian be demon-possessed? Defend your answer with scripture.

12. Just like the demon-possessed man, you are supposed to “report what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He had mercy on you.” What are those things?