

# The Man Jesus Sent Home

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MARK 5:1-20, 18-20

Intro. [A.] In all of the preceding verses Jesus has bidden many men to "follow Him".

1. Simon and Andrew, "follow me".
2. James and John, "followed after Him".
3. Levi, "follow me".
4. He ordained 12 and sent them forth.

[B.] In these verses we hear Jesus tell a man to go home.

- for all.
1. Why? His will is not the same.
  2. This man was given a message.
  3. "Go home to thy friends, and tell them..."

## I. The Man who Lived In A Cemetery.

[A.] Jesus and certain disciples crossed the Sea of Galilee in a boat.

- Vs. 1
1. They landed in the country of the Gadarenes.
  2. Immediately a man met him.
- Vs. 2
3. The man was demon possessed.

[B.] The biography of this man.

- Vs. 3
1. He was demon possessed.
- Vs. 3
2. He dwelt among the tombs.
- Vs. 4
3. He could not be helped.
- (1.) "fetters" =  $\pi\epsilon\delta\eta$  = a shackle for the feet.
- (2.) "tame" =  $\delta\alpha\mu\acute{\alpha}\varsigma\omega$  = to overpower, to subdue

[C.] His behavior.

- Vs. 5
1. "crying" =  $\kappa\rho\alpha\upsilon\gamma\eta$  = crying out from SORROW OR PAIN.

### III. "And They Went Out To See What It Was That Was Done".

#### A. What They Saw.

Vs. 15a 1. They saw Jesus.

2. They saw the man once possessed.

mental problems are not demon possession as is true with physical disease. They aren't either always.

3. The man was sitting.

4. The man was clothed.

5. The man was in his right mind.

#### B. The Results of their investigation.

Vs. 15b. 1. "... and they were afraid".

Vs. 16 2. They were told what had happened.

Vs. 17 3. They asked Him to leave.

### IV. The Conclusion Of The Story

#### A. Jesus Returns to the boat.

Vs. 18 1. "And when he was come into the ship..."

2. "... Kept begging to go with him" - Mon

3. Perhaps the man thought the demons might return and possess him again.

4. Perhaps it was love, or gratitude, or interest, or curiosity.

#### B. Jesus Refused his urgent pleadings.

Vs. 19 1. "Howbeit Jesus suffered him not,

2. "... go home to thy friends..."

3. "... and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee..."

4. "... and hath had compassion on thee..."

"Compassion" = ἐλεέω = to have a desire to relieve the miserable, to show mercy. Mercy always does something. Mercy never says "I'll