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Miracles: Casting Out Demons (Mark 5:1-20)

The authority and power of Jesus set me free.

Warmup: When do you first remember hearing a paranormal story? What was your reaction?

READ Mark 5:1-20

- Where is Jesus taking the disciples? What is the significance of the region of the Gerasenes in relation to Jesus' ministry?
- What is the behavior of the man who meets them? Why is he unclean according to Jewish law?
- What is God saying to you in these verses?

REFLECT

- How does the man with unclean spirits address Jesus? What do you think the disciples thought of the title the demons gave to Jesus?
- What does Jesus want His disciples to learn in this encounter? How will this experience help them as they move forward in life and ministry?
- How is the Spirit speaking to you right now?

RESPOND

- Would you rather have Jesus stop interfering in your life, or have Him do His work in you to set you free? Explain your answer.
- What weaknesses within your life could turn into strongholds? What steps will you take to guard and keep yourself from covert influences of evil? How will you measure the success of your strategy?
- How is the Spirit leading you to respond this week?

"To transform religious and irreligious people into Fully Devoted Followers of Christ."