

Mark 5:1-43

More miracles of Jesus

1. Jesus heals the demon-possessed man - verses 1-20

This man was a slave of many demons. They made him do what they wanted, and he could not live with his family. People were afraid of him, and because the demons gave him strength, he broke the chains he was bound with. Because the Lord Jesus was the Son of God, He had power to order the demons to leave the man. Even if we are not held prisoners by evil spirits, Satan wants us to be slaves to sin. But Jesus can set us free. He can help us win over all sin. Just as the man was changed and became a new man, so in Jesus Christ we become new and can overcome sin (2 Corinthians 5:17).

Day 1 - Mark 5:1-8

1. What sort of man was the man who met Jesus?

2. What did the man know about Jesus?

3. What did Jesus do for this man? (v8)

Day 2 - Mark 5:9-17

1. What changes did Jesus bring in the man's life?

2. Has Jesus made any changes in your life? What are they?

Day 3 - Mark 5:16-20

1. Why did the people want Jesus to leave?

2. What did the man want to do?

3. Why didn't Jesus let him?

4. What lesson is there in v.19 for us?

Day 4 - Mark 5:21-24 (see also 1 Peter 5:7)

1. What sort of man was the one who now wanted help?
2. How did he bring his request to Jesus?
3. What are we to do with those things that trouble us?

Day 5 - Mark 5:25-34 - Jesus and the sick woman

This woman who had been sick for twelve years had suffered much. Also, according to Moses' law, because of her sickness, she was counted unclean. That is why she feared to tell Jesus that she had touched Him. But He didn't despise her, as others did, but praised her for her faith. Even if other people despise us, Jesus receives us if we have faith.

1. In what way is this woman an example to us?

Day 6 - Jesus and Jairus' daughter - verses 21-24 & 35-43 (see also John 11:25ff)

Although Jairus was a ruler in the synagogue and an important man, yet when his daughter was sick he could not help her. He was very worried. Believing that Jesus could heal her, he came to Him. But as Jesus was going to Jairus' house He stopped to help the sick woman. When the servant came and said to Jairus, "Your girl has died", Jairus probably thought, "If Jesus had hurried and had not stopped for that woman's matter, He would have arrived before my daughter died." Nevertheless Jesus said to him, "**Only believe and don't be afraid.**" Like Jairus, we are often hurrying. We want our prayers answered quickly. When we don't get the answer we want, sometimes we give up hope. But the Lord Jesus says, "Only believe Me. Don't be afraid." Perhaps the reason we didn't get an answer to our prayer is that God plans something greater than we thought. So, knowing that God hears us, let us in faith continue our praying.

When our Christian friends and families die, we are sad. But Jesus has promised to raise all who believe in Him (John 11:25). This girl received physical life that day. We who believe receive eternal life.

1. What did Jesus tell Jairus he must do?
2. How does this help us in our trials and difficulties in life?
- 3 (a) What promise does Jesus give in John 11:25-26?
 - (b) To whom is it given?
 - (c) What kind of life is Jesus speaking about ?
 - (d) Do you have this life?