

## MANIAC OF GADARA (Mark 5:1-20; Luke 8:26-39)

Mark 5 begins with a conjunction "*and*" which connects the last verse of Chapter 4 and makes us know for sure Jesus was attacked by the Devil to take His life, because of the next event that was to occur. This was a great battle before a great victory!

1. Who met Jesus as soon as He got out of the boat on To the shore of Gadara? (Mark 5:2) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Where did this man live? (Mark 5:3) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Describe this man. (Mark 5:2-5) \_\_\_\_\_

4. What did the man do when he saw Jesus afar off? (Mark 5:6,7) \_\_\_\_\_

5. When Jesus asked in verse 9, "What is thy name?" who answered Him? \_\_\_\_\_

The fact is, demons don't want to leave their locality; and they like some places better than others.

## EIGHTEENTH STUDY

### MYSTERIES OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN (Matthew 12:38-42; 13:1-53; Luke 8:4-15; 11:29-32; Mark 4:1-34)

The Pharisees and others in the audience rejected Jesus' teaching and had even asked Him for a sign (Matthew 12:38-42; Luke 11:29-32). Jesus answered them that there would be no sign given but the sign of the prophet Jonah. Matthew 12:40 - For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly ; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.. Then Jesus said of Himself, ...A greater than Jonas is here; and ...a greater than Solomon is here (Matthew 12:41,42).

On this very same day, Jesus went out of the house and sat down by the sea.

1. From Matthew 13:2 -

(a) To where did Jesus move? \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Why? \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name the first parable (Matthew 13:3-9) \_\_\_\_\_

3. What verse or verses in Matthew 13:10-17 do you think best explains Jesus' reason for speaking in parables? \_\_\_\_\_

4. The Parable of the Sower is explained in Matthew 13:18-23. Which of these statements are true and which ones are false? (Check one)
- (a) When we hear the word of the kingdom, and don't understand it, the wicked one comes and steals what is sown in our heart. This is he that received seed by the way side. T\_\_\_ or F\_\_\_
- (b) It was not the same seed that was sown in all the different soils. T\_\_\_ or F\_\_\_
- (c) He that receives seed in the good ground is he that hears the Word, and understands it; bears fruit, and brings forth, some an hundred-fold, some sixty, some thirty. T\_\_\_ or F\_\_\_
5. Who is the Sower? \_\_\_\_\_
6. What is the seed? \_\_\_\_\_
7. Name the other parables mentioned in Matthew 13:24-52 -
- (1) \_\_\_\_\_
- (2) \_\_\_\_\_
- (3) \_\_\_\_\_
- (4) \_\_\_\_\_
- (5) \_\_\_\_\_
- (6) \_\_\_\_\_
- (7) \_\_\_\_\_

After He had finished these parables, Jesus went back to Nazareth where He was once again rejected.

8. Name Jesus' brothers. (Matthew 13:55) \_\_\_\_\_
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JESUS STILL THE STORM (Matthew 8:23-27; Mark 4:35-41; Luke 8:22-25)

Jesus, being weary from the activities of the day, entered into a ship on the Sea of Galilee, with His disciples, and went to sleep.

1. What happened while He was asleep? (Matthew 8:24) \_\_\_\_\_

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Tempest, in the Greek, *seismos*, is translated earthquake. The ordinary word for storm is *lailaps*.

The word for ship in verse 24 indicates a deck boat, not open.

2. Why were the disciples so fearful? (Matthew 8:24) \_\_\_\_\_

3. How did Jesus calm the sea? (Matthew 8:26)

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The disciples knew Jesus was their only hope of salvation, so they turned to the Master to calm the sea. We too have unexpected storms and earthquakes in our lives that cause us to fear; but to stay safe, we have to remain in the boat with Him; and allow Him to speak peace to our troubled hearts. When the great calm came, the disciples said, What manner of man is this, that even the winds and the sea obey Him!

The upcoming purpose of this boat trip is why Satan sent this tempest. Satan wanted to destroy Christ. ---- Also, Christ would not rebuke God.