

The rocks and cliffs around Gadara were filled with tombs cut out of limestone, some 20 ft. square. They were hiding places for the poor and the insane (Isaiah 65:4). There was a belief that dreams in such places were revelations of future events.

Not only do they desire to stay where they are, demons also have names: for when Jesus spoke to the man, the chief demon, who we refer to as the strong man, spoke: "Legion"; also they require little space to exist, for 6,000 can fit into one man.

The man was so demon possessed that the demon spoke through him; but it was the man himself who saw Jesus afar off, and ran to Him, and worshipped Him. This proves this man wanted to be free. He recognized Jesus as soon as He exited the boat. It makes me know this was not just a coincidence, but a divine appointment just like the woman at the well, for he was the first person ordained by God to meet Christ as He arrived in the country of the Gadarenes. If we want to be free, all we have to do is cry out to Jesus, and He will be there.

When Jesus cast out the demons, destroying the works of the devil, they stayed around just long enough to beseech Him not to ... send them away out of the country. (Mark 5:10). They asked Him to send them into the swine and He gave them permission.

Mark 5:13, 14 - *And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the unclean spirits went out, and entered into*

the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about two thousand) and were choked in the sea.

And they that fed the swine fled, and told it in the city, and in the country. And they went out to see what it was that was done.

1. What did they find? (Mark 5:15) _____

2. When Jesus was leaving, the delivered man ask to go with Jesus to be with Him.
(a) What did Jesus tell him? (Mark 5:19) _____

(b) Did the man obey? (Mark 5:20) _____
(c) How did the people react to his testimony? (Mark 5:20) _____
3. There were four prayers in verses 7-19. Name those who prayed
 - (1) _____
 - (2) _____
 - (3) _____
 - (4) _____

Note - * 2000 average swine costing \$35.00 each:
would bring the total worth to \$70,000.00