## MARKED BY Mercy

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## **KEY SCRIPTURES**

- Mark 5:1-20
- Luke 22:31
- <u>Isaiah 65:1-5</u>
- <u>Acts 26:16-18</u>

## **KEY POINTS**

- When reading Mark's narrative, it's easy to be distracted by the demons and the pigs.
- Notice, when slowing the Scripture down you will see three requests: the demons were given their desire, the townspeople were given their desire, but the man who had been possessed was not given his.
- If you ask Jesus to leave, He will.
- The Gospel can be seen in this man's deliverance. Living among the dead, bound, tormented, and then set free.
- He was calmed, clothed, and sent back home to share the mercy.
- The townspeople may have been afraid of losing their way of life.
- Jesus loved the man more than the pigs.
- We too must remember the mercy that God has given us that caused us to be set free from the tombs.
- The maniac has become a missionary.
- The ten cities around us need to hear our Gospel story.

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Discuss how this message impacted you.
- 2. Explain to the group the mercy you have received.
- 3. Strategize ways you, as individuals or as a group, can reach the city for the sake of Jesus.

"There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe, and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. They themselves are equally pleased by both errors..." - C. S. Lewis, *The Screwtape Letters*