

Awe

Part 7-Standing in Awe of the God Who Delivers God Delivers

Mark 5:1-20

Do you believe that Satan is real? Why or why not?

From the man in the tombs, we learn that Satan...

1. desires to **SEPARATE** us from God and His followers.

This man lived in the tombs... Mark 5:3 NIV

2. Satan encourages us to live **WITHOUT RESTRAINT**.

For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. Mark 5:4 NIV

3. Satan delights to see us **SUFFER** and make choices that **DESTROY** our lives.

Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones. Mark 5:5 NIV

From the man in the tombs, we learn that Jesus...

1. seeks to **DELIVER** His people from the destructive power of Satan.

They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes. ² When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him. Mark 5:1-2 NIV

2. exercises **DIRECT AUTHORITY** over Satan and evil spirits.

When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. ⁷ He shouted at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In God's name don't torture me!" ⁸ For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, you impure spirit!" Mark 5:6-8 NIV

3. desires to REDEEM lives RUINED by Satan.

Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "My name is Legion," he replied, "for we are many." Mark 5:9 NIV

Some truths to consider...

1. Whether you believe it or not, Satan is REAL and he is our enemy.

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Ephesians 6:12 NIV

2. Satan's sole focus is to DESTROY the livelihood of all people, especially Christians.

Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. 1 Peter 5:8 NIV

A large herd of pigs was feeding on the nearby hillside. ¹² The demons begged Jesus, "Send us among the pigs; allow us to go into them." ¹³ He gave them permission, and the impure spirits came out and went into the pigs. The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. Mark 5:11-13 NIV

3. Jesus DEFEATED Satan once and for all when He rose from the dead.

...because the One who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world. 1 John 4:4 NIV

Have you allowed Satan to have influence in your life? In what areas?

Where does Satan have you imprisoned? Where are you trapped?

In what areas do you need to be delivered by Jesus? Will you cry out to Him?

Will you let Jesus break your chains and set you free?