

**Series "Knowing The Exact Truth"**  
**"Deliver Us From Evil"**  
**Luke 8:26-39**  
**Study-33**

**1 John 3:8**

All 3 Gospels record this encounter **Matthew 8:28-34; Mark 5:1-20;**  
**Luke 8:26-39**

**Luke 8 Miracles & Parables: Reveals "The Power of The Son Of Man"**  
**Verses 1-21 His Power As A Preacher: We left off in Verses 22-25 His**  
**Power As A Creator and now Verses 22-25 His Power As A Deliverer.**

**Thought Of Our Passage:** "Only Jesus Has Authority Over Satan, And What Man Could Not Do With Chains Jesus Does With A Word"

- 1. Verses 26-29 The Encounter**
- 2. Verses 30-35 The Exorcism**
- 3. Verses 35-39 The Epilogue**

**1. Verses 26-29 The Encounter**

**Luke 8:26 Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes**

**Context** - The disciples had just come through a life-threatening storm on the Sea of Galilee. **Verses 22-25 Jesus Authority Over Creation**

**into the country of the Gerasenes** also called "**Gadara**"

**Luke 8:27 And when He came out onto the land, He was met by a man from the city**

**Matthew 8:28-34** says that there were two men

**Mark** and **Luke** say one man.

**Is this a Contradiction? No! It's "Complementary!"**

Mark and Luke illuminate the passage. They focus on the one man who was most severe.

**who was possessed with demons;** We use the term "**Demon possessed**" or "**Possessed**" The most accurate term would be "*Demonization or Demonized*" It is *under the influence of one or more evil spirits.*

**Matthew 8:28 They were so extremely violent that no one could pass by that way.**

**The Bible does not teach that a Christian can be Demonized.**  
**Matthew 12:43-45; 1 John 4:4**

**Demonic Activity Results In Uncleanness: and who had not put on any clothing for a long time, (No clothes). Luke 8:29 unclean spirit**

**unclean spirit** – speaks of *moral and physical uncleanness, involved in vices, things that the Bible speaks clearly against.* Materials, habits lifestyles that is likened to being unclean.

**Living In The Midst Of Death: and was not living in a house, but in the tombs.**

This was an area that was made of limestone, hills that were dug out so that caves were made to house dead bodies.

**The deception comes in many forms, but the result is always the same - death.**

**Luke 8:28 Recognition Of The Authority Of Jesus: and fell before Him,** There is but one superpower which is Jesus Christ.

**“What business do we have with each other, Jesus, Son of the Most High God?”**

**Dual Personalities:** You have him running up to Jesus, then asking what he has to do with Jesus, and not to be tormented. Someone caught up in sin and Satan is divided.

**“I beg You, do not torment me.”** (Demons tormented this man but did not want to be tormented) **Matthew 8:28** The word **“torment”** reveals that the demons believed in Hell

**Luke 8:29**

**Sin Is Self-Destructive: For it had seized him many times; and he was bound with chains and shackles**

**Sin May Leave You Desperate But You Can Be Delivered. God’s Power Is Always Greater Than Any Sin.**

**NLT Romans 6:16**

**Demons Have Superhuman Strength: kept under guard, and yet he would break his bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.**

**Society Can Isolate, Guard And Bind Persons But Not Change Persons: and yet he would burst his fetters**

The power of sin and Satan is beyond the strength of human means.

**Tormented: Mark 5:5 and gashing himself with stones.  
Self Is Powerless  
Suicidal Tendencies**

## **2. Verses 30-35 The Exorcism**

**Luke 8:30**

**No place in Scripture does it encourage us to seek out the names of demons.** It is speaking about the number that were controlling this man.  
**Galatians 5:19-21**

**Multiple Demons Can Posses A Person: And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him.** A Roman legion was over 6000 solders. Many/organized.

**Luke 8:31 They were imploring Him not to command them to go away into the abyss. The demons also believed in prayer.**

**Demons Were Doctrinally Orthodox: not to command them to go away into the abyss. (Revelation 20:1-3 place of future confinement)**

**Luke 8:32** this was a violation of the Mosaic law. They were raising them for profit. **Leviticus 11:7**

**Demons Are Limited In Power: and the demons implored Him to permit them to enter the swine. And He gave them permission.**

**Luke 8:33 Mark 5:13 about 2000 pigs**

**Demons Can Posses Animals: The demons killed the pigs not Jesus.**

**Luke 8:34-35 Sudden Conversion: found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting down at the feet of Jesus, clothed**  
Here was the man, (Monster) sitting and with clothes on.  
Changed! A Disciple of Jesus Christ!

**Notice that the clean-up started within the heart first!**

**and in his right mind; Only The Forgiven Are Free.**

## **3. Verses 35-39 The Epilogue**

**Luke 8:35 and they became frightened. Two times *gripped by fear,* 37 gripped with great fear;**

**Luke 8:36 demon-possessed had been made well.** Word **well** –  
*"saved, holistic salvation"*

**Luke 8:37 Revelation Of Jesus Always Leads To A Decision:** people of the country of the Gerasenes and the surrounding district asked Him to leave them,

**Rejection Of Jesus: asked Him to leave them;** Don't disturb my comfort! Don't disturb my possessions! Don't disturb my religion! Don't disturb my schedule!

**for they were gripped with great fear; and He got into a boat and returned.** Jesus does what they wish!

**Luke 8:38 A New Heart: begging Him that he might accompany Him;**

**Luke 8:39 "Return to your house and describe what great things God has done for you."** in the home, witnessing God to them!

Jesus had been kicked out but this man would be invited into their homes and lives.

**Acceptance Of Jesus: So he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him. Mark 5:20**

**Decapolis** - Means ten cities. **Mark 7:31-37** Later great crowds came from Decapolis to see Jesus. Probably a result of this man.

### **Application:**

1. Demonic Activity Results In Uncleaness. Both Moral And Physical Uncleaness; Vices, Materials, Habits, Lifestyles That Are Likened To Being Unclean.
2. Satan's Deceptions Come In Many Forms But The Result Is Always The Same - It's Death; Death Of A Marriage, Death Of A Family, Death Of Friendships. We Can Cut Ourselves Off Completely Or Make Friends That Now Line Up With The New Lifestyle.
3. Jesus Alone Has Authority Over Satan And The Power To Forgive. Jesus Can Deliver And Transform A Raging Lunatic Into A Person With A Right Mind.