

# Hope: Week 2

Who Will Go?

**BIG IDEA:** Transformed lives happen through going.

#### **TEACHING POINT:**

- Build a bridge by allowing Jesus to take you where you don't want to go.
- The way we build bridges is through risk, discomfort, and sacrifice.

SCRIPTURE: MARK 5:1-20

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#### **OPENING QUESTIONS**

1. What are you looking forward to this Thanksgiving?

#### IN THE WORD

- Read Mark 5:1. The region of the Gerasenes in Jesus' time was inhabited by people with many pagan temples that included the worship of pigs. How do you think the disciples felt going into this area?
- 2. A scary scene is described in Mark 5:1-10. Why would Jesus bring the disciples here to experience something like this?
- 3. What is Jesus teaching His disciples in Mark 5:11-17?
- 4. Share why you believe Jesus asked the man to stay to tell others rather than leave with Him in Mark 5:19-20?
- 5. Read Matthew 15:29-31. talks about Jesus returning to the same area later but this time great crowds come to hear from Jesus and find healing. How does this inspire you to share your story of Jesus' healing touch on your life?

#### MAKING IT PERSONAL

- 1. Your Campus Pastor taught about your campus's global outreach partner(s). Name a few highlights from his message. What action(s) do you need to apply to your life following his message?
- 2. Has God ever lead you to a place like the Decapolis, opposed to everything considered godly? Share your experience.
- 3. Jesus asked the demon possessed man to stay and tell those in the region about what God had done. What are some principles from the Scripture that help you determine where to go tell about what God has done for you?
- 4. What risk, discomfort, or sacrifice do you believe God wants you to step into so you can build a bridge with someone? Is God calling you to reach out to a cross-cultural place or group of people (local or global)?

#### **CONTINUED LEARNING**

Acts 26:2-29 tells us the journey of Paul from persecutor of Christians to missionary spreading Christianity throughout western culture. How can Paul's journey inspire you to step into all God has for you?

This Christmas season at Pathway, you can help families in your community by participating in a giving opportunity at your campus as part of *Heart2Heart*—our annual Christmas outreach. pathwaychurch.com/heart2heart

### O I WILL:

I will obey something from God's word in the next 24-48 hours.

### 1'LL SHARE:

I will share, with either a believer or non-believer, what God is teaching me and what I'm learning.

## **Notes & Prayers**

