

Big Truth:



Luke 8:26-31 * All passages NIV

²⁶ They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. ²⁷ When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demon-possessed man

from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet, shouting at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, **Jesus, Son of the Most High God?** I beg you, don't torture me!" ²⁹ For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places. ³⁰ Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "**Legion,**" he replied, because many demons had gone into him. ³¹ And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss.

Matthew 25:41

"...Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels."

2 Peter 2:4

...God did not spare angels when they sinned, but sent them to hell, putting them in chains of darkness to be held for judgment.

Luke 8:32

A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and he gave them permission.

Colossians 1:15-16

¹⁵ The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Luke 8:33-39

³³ When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. ³⁴ When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, ³⁵ and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, **sitting at Jesus' feet**, dressed and **in his right mind**; and they were afraid. ³⁶ Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured. ³⁷ Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and left. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ "**Return home and tell how much God has done for you.**" So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

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Discussion Questions

Luke 8:26-39: Set Free!

1. **Read Luke 8:26-30.** What do you think the apostles first felt when the demon possessed man approached them? If you were with them, how might your fear turn to intrigue by verse 28?
2. **Read Luke 8:31, Matthew 25:41 & 2 Peter 2:4.** How did these passages help confirm or clarify your understanding of hell, the devil, & demons?
3. **Read Luke 8:32 & Colossians 1:15-17.** Why did the powerful demons respond to with fear & obedience and what does this say about who Jesus IS?
4. **Read Luke 8:38-39.** What is the evidence that this man believed (BIG TRUTH) The Story of Jesus is Worthy of Our Lives?
5. How did the sound bite from Dr. Peter Boghossian (who wrote **A Manual for Creating Atheists?**) impact you? When is the last time you shared YOUR faith in Jesus with another?
6. Take some time to share your faith story with each other (1 minute per section = 1. before Jesus
2. trusting Jesus 3. life with Jesus.
7. Pray for one another, for Divine Appointments & boldness to share your faith.