

Who Can This Be?

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≡ Primary Scripture	Mark 4:35–41; Mark 5:1–20
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≡ Summary	Jesus leads the disciples into a storm that reveals what they truly believe, then demonstrates His authority over creation and demonic chaos—calling every region and heart to respond to His Lordship.

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Introduction

“On the same day...”

- The same day the disciples received revelation, they encountered a storm.

I. Understanding the Purpose of Storms

In the Kingdom, revelation received in moments of teaching will eventually be tested in moments of transition.

Definition of Transition:

- The process of moving from one state, condition, or season into another.

Point:

- There is no transformation without transition because growth requires movement.
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II. Jesus Initiated the Crossing

Scripture: Mark 4:35

- "Let us cross over to the other side."

Notice:

- The storm happened while obeying Jesus.

Important Principle:

- Obedience does not exempt us from storms.
 - Sometimes obedience leads directly into environments that reveal whether we trust the One who spoke.
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III. The Storm as Examination

Scripture: Mark 4:37–38

- "And a great windstorm arose..."

Point:

- The storm was not interruption—it was examination.

It revealed:

- the condition of their trust
 - their fear
 - their understanding of Jesus
 - their heart posture
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IV. From Information to Conviction

At some point, revelation must move from information to conviction.

The disciples had:

- the presence of Jesus
- the promise of Jesus
- the word of Jesus

And they still panicked.

V. The Power of Jesus' Word

When Jesus said, "Let us cross over," the outcome was already contained within His word.

Point:

- If Jesus said "cross over," then sinking was never the final destination.
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VI. Fear Reveals Where Trust Really Rests

Fear causes us to lock into our interpretation of circumstances rather than God's promise.

Thought:

- Anyone can shout faith on the shore, but storms reveal what we truly believe during transition.
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VII. The Classroom

Hearing is always followed by opportunity for application.

- The disciples had heard His teaching.
 - Now the classroom became a crossing.
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VIII. The Storm Was About Revelation

Scripture: Mark 4:39–41

- “Peace, be still!”
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IX. Jesus’ Authority Over Creation

In Jewish understanding, mastery over the sea belonged to God alone.

Thought:

- Mark is revealing that Jesus is not merely a prophet or teacher—He exercises the authority of Yahweh Himself.

Scriptures:

- Psalm 89:9
 - Psalm 107:29
 - Job 38:8–11
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X. Fear Shifted

The disciples were first afraid of the storm.

Now they became afraid of the One in the boat.

Amplified Bible (Mark 4:41):

- “Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey Him?”
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XI. From Chaos in Creation to Chaos in Humanity

Scripture: Mark 5:1–10

Mark intentionally moves from:

- chaos in creation (storm)
 - to chaos in humanity (demonic oppression)
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XII. Jesus Has Authority Over All Chaos

- external chaos
- internal chaos

- spiritual chaos

Truth:

- Nothing is outside His dominion.
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XIII. God the Son Who Carries His Government Upon His Shoulders

Scriptures: Mark 1:14–15; Isaiah 9:6–7

Point:

- Jesus is the divine King bringing God’s rule into every realm of disorder.
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XIV. Where Jesus Arrives

- storms cease
 - demons flee
 - minds are restored
 - people are made whole
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XV. Hell Recognized Him Before Men Do

Scripture: Mark 5:7

- “What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God?”
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XVI. The Demoniac as a Picture of Humanity

Scripture: Mark 5:1–10

The demoniac represents humanity apart from God:

- tormented
- isolated
- self-destructive

- bound
 - living among death
 - unable to free themselves
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XVII. Understanding “Legion”

A Roman legion consisted of approximately 5,000–6,000 soldiers.

Point:

- “Legion” communicates overwhelming organized oppression.
 - The man’s condition revealed the severity of bondage humanity experiences apart from Christ.
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XVIII. Jesus Is the Answer for Humanity’s Chaos

Humanity continually attempts to solve spiritual problems with merely human solutions.

Expressions of chaos in our world today:

- confusion
 - anxiety
 - addiction
 - broken identity
 - spiritual bondage
 - isolation
 - moral instability
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XIX. The Power of Encountering Jesus

Scripture: Mark 5:15

- “Sitting, clothed, and in his right mind.”

The formerly possessed man is now:

- sitting
 - clothed
 - restored
 - whole
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XX. The Kingdom of God Restores

Jesus did not merely come to inspire people—He came to establish God’s rule in hearts, minds, lives, and communities.

XXI. The Delivered Man Becomes Evidence of Kingdom Transformation

Jesus turns victims into witnesses.

Transformation includes:

- bondage → freedom
 - torment → peace
 - isolation → mission
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XXII. The Response of the Region

Scripture: Mark 5:16–17

- “They began to plead with Him to depart from their region.”
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XXIII. Jesus Disturbs Before He Restores

Jesus confronts what regions normalize in darkness.

The region had become comfortable with:

- tombs
- demons
- uncleanness

- disorder
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XXIV. The Presence of Jesus Forces a Decision

People often want:

- peace without repentance
 - freedom without surrender
 - healing without Lordship
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XXV. Familiar Bondage vs Transforming Deliverance

Some people become more comfortable with dysfunction than disruption that leads to freedom.

Contrast in responses:

- the delivered man begged to stay with Jesus
 - the crowd begged Jesus to leave
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XXVI. The Economic Loss Exposed Their Priorities

They valued pigs over people.

What they saw:

- pigs destroyed
- supernatural authority displayed
- a restored human life

Yet they focused on material loss instead of restoration.

Truth:

- The Kingdom confronts systems where people have become secondary to gain.
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XXVII. The Authority of Jesus Demands Response

Scriptures: Mark 5:6, 15

- “When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and worshiped Him.”

Point:

- Jesus cannot merely be casually admired.
 - He must either be submitted to or be rejected.
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XXVIII. Jesus Always Leaves a Witness

Scripture: Mark 5:20

- “He departed and began to proclaim...”

Even when regions reject Him, Jesus still leaves behind a testimony.

Final Statement:

- The man who once terrorized the region became the first missionary to it.
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Closing Thought: Who Can This Be?

No matter how chaotic the world becomes, Jesus remains the answer because He alone has authority to restore what sin and brokenness have distorted.

Key Scriptures to Meditate and Memorize

- Mark 4:39–41
- Mark 5:15
- Isaiah 9:6–7
- Psalm 107:29