Beach Break Sharing Your Grace Story Mark 5:1-20

We are looking at stories of divine encounters people had with Jesus on the beach...

Today's story is

Our truth for this morning comes from this interesting response Jesus gave to the man who had been delivered from demons...

Mark 5:18–19 (ESV) — As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. And he did not permit him but said to him, "Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you."

This was a man who had been rejected by the people...

He was feared and ostracized by everyone...

Yet, Jesus told him to go to them and tell his GRACE STORY!

ONE THING

<u>BELIEVER</u>, you have a <u>STORY</u> the <u>WORLD</u> needs to <u>HEAR</u>; a <u>LIFE</u> filled with <u>GRACE</u> and <u>FREE</u> from all FEAR!

1 John 4:18 (ESV) — There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.

When we give our lives to Jesus we step in to FEAR-FREE living!

When we come to today's story we see a shift in Jesus' ministry...

Up to this time Jesus has been primarily ministering in Galilee, but has not yet stepped out of Israel to take His ministry beyond Israel to other nations...

Crossing the Sea of Galilee, Jesus is taking His redeeming mercy to Gentiles...

1. The <u>URGENCY</u> – Everyone lives in **DEMONIC SLAVERY!**

Mark 5:1–8 (ESV) — They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I

adjure you by God, do not torment me." For he was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!"

1 John 5:19b (ESV) — ... the whole world lies in the power of the evil one.

Not only do the lost live under the power of the evil one, but listen to what we are told in Ephesians 2...

Ephesians 2:1–3 (ESV) — 1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— 3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

→ Pic 1

THE FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	DIVINE DELIVERANCE
1				
2				
3				
4				

→ Pic 2

THE FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	DIVINE DELIVERANCE
1	ENTICEMENT	INITIAL ACTION	JAMES 1:14-15	
2				
3	·			
4	·			

James 1:14–15 (ESV) — 14 But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire. 15 Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

→ Pic 3

THE FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	DIVINE DELIVERANCE
1	ENTICEMENT	INITIAL ACTION	JAMES 1:14-15	
2	ENTANGLEMENT	REGULAR PRACTICE	HEBREWS 12:1	
3				
4				

Hebrews 12:1 (NIV) — 1 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,

→ Pic 4

THE FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	DIVINE DELIVERANCE
1	ENTICEMENT	INITIAL ACTION	JAMES 1:14-15	
2	ENTANGLEMENT	REGULAR PRACTICE	HEBREWS 12:1	
3	ENTRAPMENT	HABITUAL STRONGHOLD	PROVERBS 5:22	
4				

Proverbs 5:22 (ESV) — 22 The iniquities of the wicked ensnare him, and he is held fast in the cords of his sin.

→ Pic 5

THE FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	DIVINE DELIVERANCE
1	ENTICEMENT	INITIAL ACTION	JAMES 1:14-15	
2	ENTANGLEMENT	REGULAR PRACTICE	HEBREWS 12:1	
3	ENTRAPMENT	HABITUAL STRONGHOLD	PROVERBS 5:22	
4	ENSLAVEMENT	DEMONIC BONDAGE	2 PETER 2:19B	

2 Peter 2:19b (ESV) — ... For whatever overcomes a person, to that he is enslaved.

Listen friend, the wicked of the world are NOT getting away with their evil...

Psalm 10:11 (NLT) — The wicked think, "God isn't watching us! He has closed his eyes and won't even see what we do!"

Psalm 10:13 (NLT) — Why do the wicked get away with despising God? They think, "God will never call us to account."

Believer, you have a story the world needs to hear; a life filled with grace and free from all fear!

2. The <u>SUFFICIENCY</u> – Everyone needs a DELIVERING SALVATION!

Mark 5:9–15 (ESV) — And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him, saying, "Send us to the pigs; let us enter them." So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea. 14 The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened. 15 And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid.

It is interesting that Jesus crossed the Sea of Galilee for ONE MESSED UP MAN!

John 10:10 (ESV) — The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.

→ Pic 6

THE FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	DIVINE DELIVERANCE
1	ENTICEMENT	INITIAL ACTION	JAMES 1:14-15	1 CORINTHIANS 10:13
2	ENTANGLEMENT	REGULAR PRACTICE	HEBREWS 12:1	
3	ENTRAPMENT	HABITUAL STRONGHOLD	PROVERBS 5:22	
4	ENSLAVEMENT	DEMONIC BONDAGE	2 PETER 2:19B	

1 Corinthians 10:13 (ESV) — No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

When Jesus confronted and called Saul of Tarsus, who later became known as Paul the Apostle, the Lord gave him specific directions on taking the Good News to the Gentile world...

Acts 26:18 (NLT) — To open their eyes, so they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God. Then they will receive forgiveness for their sins and be given a place among God's people, who are set apart by faith in me.'

→ Pic 7

THE FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	DIVINE DELIVERANCE
1	ENTICEMENT	INITIAL ACTION	JAMES 1:14-15	1 CORINTHIANS 10:13
2	ENTANGLEMENT	REGULAR PRACTICE	HEBREWS 12:1	2 TIMOTHY 2:4
3	ENTRAPMENT	HABITUAL STRONGHOLD	PROVERBS 5:22	
4	ENSLAVEMENT	DEMONIC BONDAGE	2 PETER 2:19B	

2 Timothy 2:4 (ESV) — No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him.

→ Pic 8

THE FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	DIVINE DELIVERANCE
1	ENTICEMENT	INITIAL ACTION	JAMES 1:14-15	1 CORINTHIANS 10:13
2	ENTANGLEMENT	REGULAR PRACTICE	HEBREWS 12:1	2 ТІМОТНҮ 2:4
3	ENTRAPMENT	HABITUAL STRONGHOLD	PROVERBS 5:22	ROMANS 7:24-25a
4	ENSLAVEMENT	DEMONIC BONDAGE	2 PETER 2:19B	

Romans 7:24–25a (ESV) — Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!

→ Pic 9

THE FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	DIVINE DELIVERANCE
1	ENTICEMENT	INITIAL ACTION	JAMES 1:14-15	1 CORINTHIANS 10:13
2	ENTANGLEMENT	REGULAR PRACTICE	HEBREWS 12:1	2 TIMOTHY 2:4
3	ENTRAPMENT	HABITUAL STRONGHOLD	PROVERBS 5:22	ROMANS 7:24-25A
4	ENSLAVEMENT	DEMONIC BONDAGE	2 PETER 2:19B	2 CORINTHIANS 10:3-5

2 Corinthians 10:3–5 (ESV) — For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ,

Believer, you have a story the world needs to hear; a life filled with grace and free from all fear!

3. The <u>NECESSITY</u> – Every believer has a **DIVINE STORY!**

Mark 5:16–20 (ESV) — And those who had seen it described to them what had happened to the demon-possessed man and to the pigs. And they began to beg Jesus to depart from their region. As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. And he did not permit him but said to him, "Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you." And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.

Did the delivered man do what Jesus told him?

YES HE DID!

Mark 7:31–35 (ESV) — 31 Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went through Sidon to the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. 32 And they brought to him a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment, and they begged him to lay his hand on him. 33 And taking him aside from the crowd privately, he put his fingers into his ears, and after spitting touched his tongue. 34 And looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." 35 And his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly.

1 Peter 3:15 (ESV) — But in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect

2 Corinthians 5:20 (ESV) — Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

Beach Break Sharing Your Grace Story Mark 5:1-20

	, you have a	the	needs to	·
a	filled with	and	from all	!
3. The			iever has a !	

FOUR STAGES OF DEMONIZATION THE

STAGE	DEMONIC ACTIVITY	DEVELOPING RESPONSE	BIBLICAL DESCRIPTION	BIBLICAL DIVINE DESCRIPTION DELIVERANCE
1				
2				
3				
4				