

Part 1: Yadah August 3 & 4, 2019 Grant Fishbook, Lead Teaching Pastor

An Unusual Worship Service Mark 5:1-15 NEW KING JAMES VERSION (NKJV)

Then they came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gadarenes. ² And when He [Jesus] had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit, ³ who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no one could bind him, not even with chains, ⁴ because he had often been bound with shackles and chains. And the chains had been pulled apart by him, and the shackles broken in pieces; neither could anyone tame him. 5 And always, night and day, he was in the mountains and in the tombs, crying out and cutting

himself with stones. ⁶ When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and worshiped Him. ⁷ And he cried out with a loud voice and said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God?" I implore You by God that You do not torment me."

⁸ For He said to him, "Come out of the man, unclean spirit!" ⁹ Then He asked him, 'What is your name?"

And he answered, saying, "My name is Legion; for we are many." ¹⁰ Also he begged Him earnestly that He

would not send them out

of the country. ¹¹ Now a large herd of swine was feeding there near the mountains. $^{12}\,\mathrm{So}$ all the demons begged Him, saying, "Send us to the swine, that we may enter them." 13 And at once Jesus gave them permission. Then the unclean spirits went out and entered the swine (there were about two thousand); and the herd ran violently down

the steep place into the sea and drowned in the sea. ¹⁴ So those who fed the swine fled, and they told it in the city and in the country. And they went out to see what it was that had happened.

¹⁵ Then they came to Jesus and saw the one who had been demon-possessed and had the legion, sitting and clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid.

My own definition of worship: Stretching to touch the feet of God and finding out that he allows you to

touch his face instead **Biblical Words for Worship**

Hebrew: shachah — to kiss toward

Greek: proskuneo - to prostrate

yourself before God Lying flat on the ground, face downward in reverence or submission A Posture of Worship

yadah (ya-daw) Praise - to extend the hands, or to

throw out of the hands

An active posture of excitement and

- enthusiasm for God in praise and worship
- All your works praise (yadah) you, Lord; Your faithful people extol you. - Psalm
- May the peoples praise (yadah) you, God;
- May all the peoples praise (yadah) you. - Psalm 67:3 In God we make our boast all day long,
- And we will praise (yadah) your name forever. - Psalm 44:8 In worship, hands are raised...

In celebration

In dependence In <u>surrender</u>

In preparation In worship

Next Step

in praise. That could be during a personal time of worship or in a community worship setting. You even have the opportunity when today's message concludes with a song, but remember that "yadah" isn't confined to musical worship. It might

Sometime in the next week, take a moment to "yadah" - raising your hands

- happen in silence, in prayer, or in conversation! **Small Group Questions**
- What has been the highlight of your summer so far?
- 3) In what environment are you most likely to worship (church, alone, outside)? Why is it easier to connect with God in

2) How would you define worship?

- that place and in that way? 4) We often get sidetracked in worship by personal preference and style. What
- can you find in the Bible about what God looks for in authentic worship? 5) Have you ever had a "yadah" moment? Why or why not? If not, would you
- be willing to take a risk and try it this week? 6) How can we pray for you right now and

throughout the week?