

•1Then they came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gadarenes. 2And when He had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit, 3who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no one could bind him, not even with chains, 4because 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. 5And always, night and day, he was in the mountains and in the tombs, crying out and cutting himself with stones. 6When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and worshiped Him. 7And 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." 8For He said to him, "Come out of the man, unclean spirit!" 9Then He asked him, "What is your name?" And he answered, saying, "My name is Legion; for we are many." 10Also he begged Him earnestly that He would not send them out of the country. 11Now a large herd of swine was feeding there near the mountains. 12So all the demons begged Him, saying, "Send us to the swine, that we may enter them." 13And 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. 14So 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. 15Then 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. 16And those who saw it told them how it happened to him who had been demon-possessed, and about the swine. 17Then they began to plead with Him to depart from their region. 18And when He got into the boat, he who had been demon-possessed begged Him that he might be with Him. 19However, Jesus did not permit him, but said to him, "Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you." Mark 5:1-19

•But if I cast out demons by the Spirit of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you. Matthew 12:28

•Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name. 10Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Matthew 6:9-10

•**Understand this: You can't win spiritual battles with natural weapons.**

•You must be wise and know when you're dealing with natural, human, psychological problems. But you must also be discerning when you're dealing with...

• **Legion**

Numerous

•(A legion in the Roman army comprised some six thousand troops.)

Equipped

•Satan and his friends come to fight.

•How they fight is the problem.

•**Self imposed pain**

•**Obsession with death and darkness**

•**Endless restlessness**

•**ISOLATION**

Organized

•**For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual**

hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Ephesians 6:12

•**You've never seen a demon fight another demon.**

•**Jesus- Kingdom divided...**

•**Know territory**

•They "begged Jesus...not to send them out of the area". That's because they'd established a stronghold within him and in that region.

•**Timing, seasonal**

•**Attack is synchronized?? Never just 1 attack. Designed to overwhelm. Designed to get to your mouth.**

They knew they were going to be thrown out!

•When a demon gets into the presence of Jesus they have to ask permission.

•**They couldn't get a lease on a pig without His permission!**

•**Satan is to God what a fly is to a good 747 Jet.**

•We want to keep our pigs. Leave our Pigs alone!

•History of the people of Gadarenes. Descendants of Gad. They along with tribe of reuben and half of Manasseh...

•Forfeited their promised land. And they slowly Forfeited the Presence.

•Presence reveals compromise. Presence reveals Sin.
Presence reveals rebellion. Presence reveals PIGS!

•Jesus was showing- What demons did to these pigs they'll do to you if you let them.

- **When PRESENCE walks out, SIN walks in!**
- **BUT WHEN PRESENCE COMES BACK- BIG REVEAL!**

☑What is your Legion?

•“Legion” wasn’t this man’s real name; it was merely a label.

•But he’d battled his problem so long that he accepted the label, and defined himself by his experience.

☑Kept getting free but was never free

•I have to accept it because I can’t get free to change it.

•Christ came to knock the hell out of tormented people.

• **I’m here to cancel it! CANCEL IT!!!**

•Christ gave him control over things he’d lost control of.

•A decapitated head of a snake is still dangerous.