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(Luke 8:30, Common English Bible)



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Luke 8:26-39

Jesus Heals a Possessed Man

Feel free to use the Faith5 process and the Bible reading in whatever way is best for your family: at dinner, in the evening, before bed, etc.

If your children are very young, you might want to use a children's story Bible.

1. **SHARE** your highs and lows for the day (or week).
2. **PRAY** about your highs and lows: celebrate your highs and pray for help with your lows

3. **READ** Luke 8:26-39 (Common English Bible, CEB)

²⁶ Jesus and his disciples sailed to the Gerasenes' land, which is across the lake from Galilee. ²⁷ As soon as Jesus got out of the boat, a certain man met him. The man was from the city and was possessed by demons. For a long time, he had lived among the tombs, naked and homeless. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he shrieked and fell down before him. Then he shouted, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don't torture me!" ²⁹ He said this because Jesus had already commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had taken possession of him, so he would be bound with leg irons and chains and placed under guard. But he would break his restraints, and the demon would force him into the wilderness.

³⁰ Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "Legion," he replied, because many demons had entered him. ³¹ They pleaded with him not to order them to go back into the abyss. ³² A large herd of pigs was feeding on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs. Jesus gave them permission, ³³ and the demons left the man and entered the pigs. The herd rushed down the cliff into the lake and drowned.

³⁴ When those who tended the pigs saw what happened, they ran away and told the story in the city and in the countryside. ³⁵ People came to see what had happened. They came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone. He was sitting at Jesus' feet, fully dressed and completely sane. They were filled with awe. ³⁶ Those people who had actually seen what had happened told them how the demon-possessed man had been delivered. ³⁷ Then everyone gathered from the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave their area because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and returned across the lake. ³⁸ The man from whom the demons had gone begged to come along with Jesus as one of his disciples. Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹ "Return home and tell the story of what God has done for you." So he went throughout the city proclaiming what Jesus had done for him.

4. TALK about the reading

1. Who needs help? Why? (In Jesus' day, if someone had emotional or mental problems, others would say that the person was possessed by a demon.)
2. What did Jesus do? What happened?
3. Why did the other people ask Jesus to leave their area? What do you think they were afraid of?
4. What does Jesus ask the man to do? What do you think other people might have done or thought when they heard the man's story?
5. How does this reading relate to your highs and lows?

5. BLESS each other.

Make this as simple or as complex as you want. Examples: Trace the sign of the cross on each other's forehead or on the back of your hands. Say, "God bless you" or make up a blessing based on one of the readings.

ACTIVITIES

Blow Bubbles

Supplies: *Bubble Bottles (for blowing bubbles)*

Activity: Have one person at a time blow bubbles while everyone else counts them. Make sure everyone has a chance to blow bubbles. While you're doing it, mention that the bubbles represent how many times we should say "Thank you" to God for the way God loves us and for all that God has done for us.

Fingerprint People

Supplies: *8 1/2x11 white paper; rainbow-colored ink pad; pens or markers*

Activity: Make as many fingerprints on the paper as you can in a set amount of time (like 2 minutes or more). Use pens or markers to add hands and legs and feet to their fingerprints. Talk about how many people in your neighborhood or world need help and how Jesus would want us to help them. Then, make a plan to help someone or some group this week!





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Jesus Heals a Demon-Possessed Man

And they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting down at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind.
Luke 8:35 (NIV)

The puzzle is based on Luke 8:26-39 (NIV).

A E E X A M N L A T G T R L J
 C U U K V F V U V E V I L E J
 D R E P O R T E D C I U T U Z
 R S P I G S B I I C I K N G B
 O D F D Y Z S R M C J E S U S
 W H O Q B L F C O Q U W M A U
 N A O N L P Y G H K K R G R R
 E N T I B L E D A A E N E D N
 D D H M E F A O P L I N G D D
 J S D Z G S N K P D I N K E I
 X M E R G P H W E L J L S C E
 F X M X E I N E E H E S E J W
 F W O R D R F X P T E G P E E
 C F N E O I Y W T R J G Y P U
 F P N O O T Y M D U P U N O B

FOOT	BEGGED	PEOPLE	HAND	CHAINS
PIGS	BROKEN	REPORTED	DROWNED	CURED
GUARD	GALILEE	HILLSIDE	DRESSED	JESUS
DEMON	FEEDING	SPIRIT	LAKE	EVIL

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Jesus Healed man who was blind, mute and possessed

M P F E E V O T I G L H I Y F O B
U Q H A L W Y M E H P S A L B F P
C Y Q F B R H W W J H T I Y R T X
E U T Y I L C J V P A G M F U U X
D R H I B K W Q N O R H S O I W V
U P B L I U Z F T J I Q Q K I Y O
Z G I I D E S S E S S O P E V W S
B N Y M U B N O M W E K K W H H G
D Z C T M C K A D F E L T G J C G
U X T J T Z T X T Q S D I B L L R
V F Z K W T X H Y V H Q G F J U R
R X K L H D E M O N C Y R R M C E
P X C E Q C O N T R O L L E D Y Q
Y W W T A T N B D J A E V K N F S
I U Y D Z C Q E K S U J B H C E Y
V D Z U E T U M S U S E J E E A U
P G S Y B B H E A L E D O I G F B

Matthew
controlled
blasphemy
healed

Bible
pharisees
Jesus
mute

see
demon
possessed
blind