



Journey with JESUS



The Power of Jesus

Luke 8:26-39



The battle between God and Satan over man is displayed as Jesus visits a mission field. In this second of three messages about this event, we will focus on the power of Jesus.

1John 3:7-8 "Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. (8) He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil."

B.L.U.F. (Bottom Line Up Front): *Jesus rescues what Satan ruined!* Let's examine two kinds of transformation:

1. Transformation

The battle lines are drawn – a ruined man (v. 27 & 29) possessed by up to 6,000 demons (v. 30) vs. Jesus, who claims to be able to defeat these demons at command (v. 29a & 33a)...with His finger (11:20)?! Yes! 8:35!

- 1) Characteristics of a Man _____ by Demons
 - ⇒ Inner turmoil
 - ⇒ Outward disregard
 - ⇒ Infatuation with darkness
- 2) Characteristics of a Man _____ by Jesus
 - ⇒ Sitting – turmoil replaced by peace
 - ⇒ at Jesus' Feet – Satan's control replaced by Jesus' teaching
 - ⇒ Clothed – shame replaced by modest clothing
 - ⇒ In His Right Mind – no self-control replaced by curbing one's passions

2. Transformation

Often the experience of transformation is more like the growth of a tree.

- 1) _____ Yourself to _____ – Ephesians 6:10-18
- 2) _____ Yourself to _____ by Mastering God's Word – Romans 12:1-2

What kind of advertisement are you?