

## THE STORY OF JESUS AND LEGION

Jesus is the ruler over all things. In this story, listen how he showed his power even over the demons that followed Satan.

### Let's Get Started

**Episode Theme:** Exploring God's Design - Jesus the Savior

1. Throughout the gospels in the New Testament, we read lots of stories about Jesus having power over all sorts of things. Can you think of some of the things that Jesus had power over or some of the miracles he performed?
2. Sometimes we have to face some pretty difficult things in our lives. Can you think of a difficult time when it felt like you were powerless or had no control? How do you think the man who was under the control of Legion felt?

### Memory Verse

For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, you impure spirit!"

**Mark 5:8**

### After You Listen

Jesus had just finished showing his disciples that he had power over nature when they came upon a man possessed by many evil spirits. No one could talk to this man or control him. Everyone ran away from him. But not Jesus. Jesus didn't just have power over the wind and waves. He had power over evil spirits too! And he wouldn't just let this man stay enslaved to them. Jesus sent the evil spirits out of the man and made him into someone new.

But the story doesn't end there. After this man had been restored and Jesus and his disciples had moved on, the man traveled around the area telling everyone he met what Jesus had done for him. He used the story of his own powerlessness and the overwhelming power of Jesus to tell others about Jesus and what he had done for him. That must have been some testimony to share. We can do the same thing. When Jesus helps us overcome situations where we feel powerless and things seem hopeless, we can tell others about what Jesus' power and what he did for us.

Want to dig deeper and learn more about Jesus' power over all things? Check out this story in [Mark 5](#) and the story of Jesus having power over the wind and waves in [Mark 4](#). You can also read about Jesus' power over sickness in [Matthew 8](#) and over death itself in [John 11](#).

### Challenge

Think about a time in your life when you felt powerless or out of control. We all face times like that. It's times like these that we must remember that no matter how powerless we feel, God is totally in control of the situation.

- The next time you feel powerless or out of control, re-read this story and some of the other stories from the gospels that talk about Jesus having power over sickness, nature, evil spirits, and even death.
- Pray to God and ask him to be in control of your difficult situations.
- Give God thanks for his power in your life. Just like the man who had been possessed, tell others about who Jesus is and what he did for you.

## Take the Episode Quiz

**Question 1:** Where did the demon possessed man live?

**Answer:** The tombs

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**Question 2:** Why was this evil spirit called "Legion"?

**Answer:** There were many of them.

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**Question 3:** When the evil spirits left the man, where did they go?

**Answer:** Into a herd of pigs

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**Question 4:** Why did the people of that area ask Jesus to leave?

**Answer:** They were afraid of him.

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**Question 5:** What did the man do after Jesus left?

**Answer:** He told others about Jesus.

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