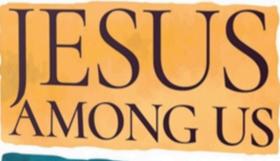
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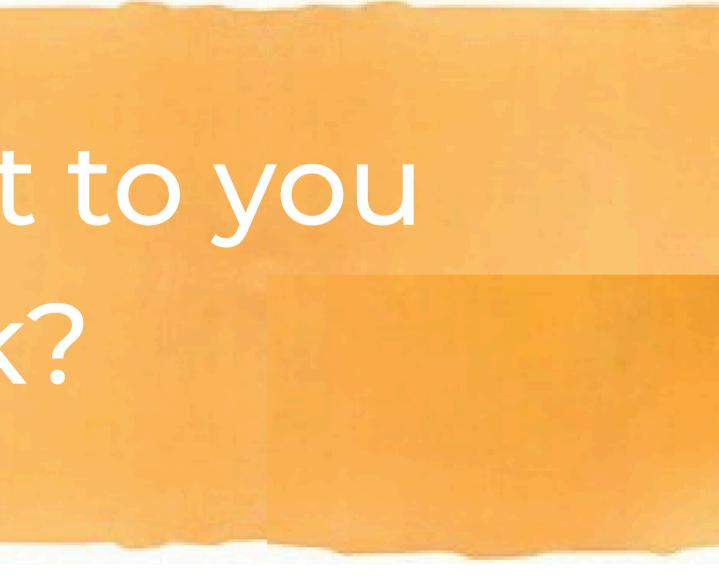
LIFE ALONG THE WAY SERIES



WALKING WITH HIM IN HIS MINISTRY AND MIRACLES

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What stood out to you this week?





JESUS AMONG US

Week 5, Day 33

Delivering the Devil Possessed

Read: Mark 5:1-20

Jesus takes his disciples on a mission trip across the Sea of Galilee, from the comfort of their Jewish region to the Gentile region of the Decapolis. Jesus' mission is always to seek and save, then restore and empower for ministry. Each of those elements is found in this story.

Table Talk

 Describe this man before Jesus encounters him. If Jesus would still save him, why are we prone to think of others as "too far gone"?

 Was there a time you sensed Jesus set you free from an ongoing struggle or battle?

It would seem this man is a most unlikely evangelist. He has no background or history that prepares him for this. He simply knows his own story. He was a man who had decided that he'd die among the dead. Until Jesus. Jesus sets him free and immediately commissions him to serve.

A follower of Jesus is not responsible to teach what they do not know, yet they are responsible to share what they *do* know. There is power in a person sharing his or her Gospel story.

Table Talk

- What do our actions toward those far away from Jesus prove about what we believe?
- What holds you back from being bolder in sharing your faith?
- Have you ever found yourself afraid to share about Jesus because of what you did not know?
- How did you meet Jesus? How has a relationship with him transformed your life?

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Take some time and write out your faith story: how you met Jesus and how this relationship impacts your life. When you have finished it, begin to share it with others so you grow in confidence.

Prayer Requests

Next Week's Readings: Days 35-41