



Session Three: The Disciple He Refused to Enlist (Mark 5:1-20)

GETTING STARTED:

Has the story of someone's life greatly influence you? Explain.

OBSERVATION:

As you read this narrative what descriptive terms can you apply to this man's condition?

Do those terms relate to how we were prior to our encounter with Jesus?

Why was the transformation of the demon-possessed man scary to the people?

DISCUSSION:

Do you ever feel like you do not have a story to tell? How can a non-sensational story be effective?

Your video teacher talked about the purposes for the swine in the story – does this strengthen your own faith in the Lord? If so, how?

Were you shocked to find out that Jesus responded positively to the request of the demons and the town's people but negatively to the disciple? What was Jesus' ultimate purpose?

Share some ways you can (or have) use(d) your story to encourage others.