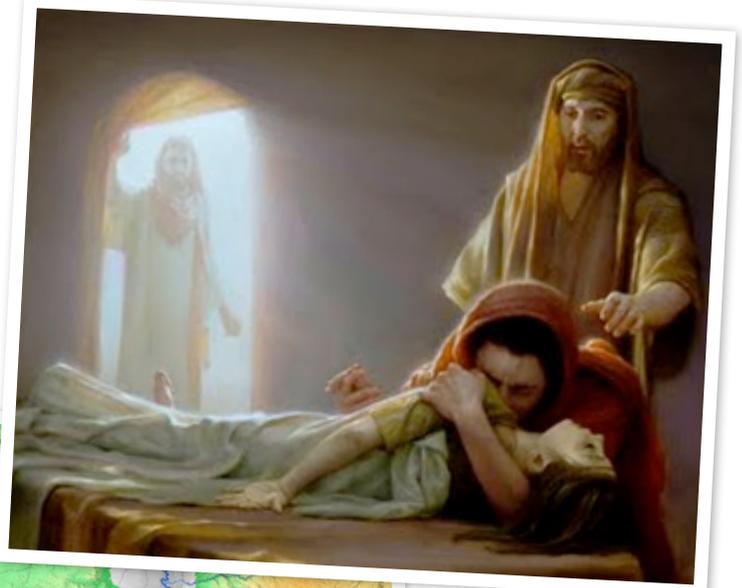
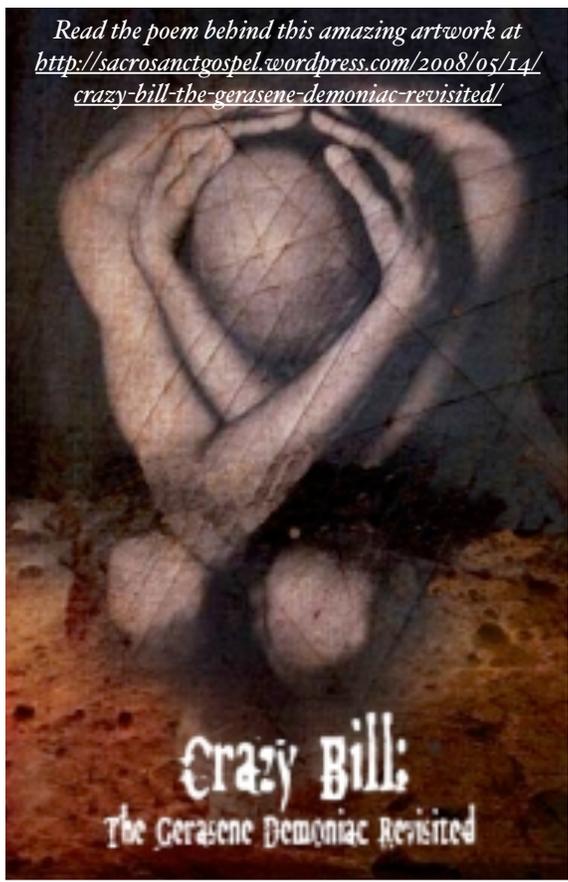


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The Gospel of Mark

Jesus' Manhood, Motion, and Mission

Day 1 – Summarize chapter 5

Welcome

Welcome to this day, friend, and to this time of study! Let's pray: Abba Father, thank You for giving me another day to know You better. Holy Spirit, please open up my mind so that I may understand what I'm reading today. Give me eyes to see, ears to hear, and a heart to obey. Thank You so much! Amen.

Read the Chapter

Read all of chapter 5 in one sitting. Try to summarize each event briefly; I stick with 10 words or less to help me keep to the main point. Write your text divisions on the left and your summaries in a sentence to the right. I'll get you started:

- 5:1- _____
- 5: _____
- 5: _____

Day 2 – The Possessed Man and Legion

Now with whom am I speaking, man or demon?

Jesus approached this man from the Gerasenes and literally all hell broke loose. Examine this man using the table below.

	Before deliverance	After deliverance
Man's appearance		
Man's behavior		
Man's voice		
Man's hopes about life		

Demons and deliverance

Why do you think the man came to meet Jesus? Consider...he did not run *away* from Jesus, he ran *toward* Him.

Think about Jesus' relationship to Satan and his forces. Choose a few of these passages to help you understand the dynamics between Jesus and evil.

Passage	What did you learn?
Job 1: who is in charge?	
Job 1: who is permitted to do harm? What do you learn from the boundaries given?	
John 10:10	
Luke 4:13	
John 14:30	
Hebrews 2:14	
1 John 3:18	
Ephesians 6:12	
John 8:44	
1 Peter 5:8	

Day 3 – Jairus

Jairus

List everything below you can glean from this story about Jairus, character-sketch style.

Why?

Jesus didn't *go* with everyone; it seems that mostly people *came to Him*. Why do you think He went with this particular man?

Life interrupted

Such an urgent need, such a life-critical need...yet Jesus stops, asking about who touched Him. If you had been Jairus, what would your thoughts have been? Your emotions?

“Jesus was never in a hurry.” Take some time to react to that statement and apply it to your own life. Write your thoughts below.

Day 4 – “She’s a Bleeder”

The woman

Growing up in a gastroenterologist's home, I would awaken groggily in the middle of the night to the phone ringing, then hear my dad's voice say, “I'll be right in.” He would say to my mom, “We've got a bleeder.” Given your own experiences with menstruation, menopause, and all our female situations, get into this woman's head. Remember her era. Now with verses 24-34, tell me about her below. Imagine she's a friend of yours and we're talking about her; tell me about her.

Target

If the crowd was a bull's eye, she was the center target dot.

Jesus wanted to know *her*, look *her* in the eye, bless *her*--*specifically her*, in a huge crowd. A small, pitiable woman with faith. Know that He loves you like that! See His love in these verses:

Luke 7:13; 44-48

John 15:9,13

1 John 3:16

Romans 5:8

Days 5 & 6 – Resurrection

Outlooks

Give the outlooks of the “players” in this scene:

Person	Outlook
Men from Jairus' house	
Jesus	
Wailers	
Jairus (& his wife)	

She's Alive!

How could they be silent? Why *should* they be silent? What would *you* be like?

How important is it that Jesus is Lord over darkness, disease and death?

Jesus is showing He is Lord. All is under His feet: darkness (the Gerasenes man), disease (the bleeding woman) and death (this little girl). How does this effect your faith and worship of Jesus?

He is the Conqueror of death; this is a first taste of much to come. Not only does Jesus resurrect others, but He Himself will die and rise. Moreover, He enables us to die and rise too—even on a daily level, not only as we take our final breath.

Consider 1 Corinthians 15: it's all about **resurrection**. If you fear death, read every word—you'll be so encouraged!

Keep these verses in your mind this week:

Philippians 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

Galatians 2:20: I have been crucified with Christ; I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. the life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me, and gave Himself for me.

And John 3:16: For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whosoever believes in Him will not perish, but will have everlasting life.