

STUDIES IN THE GOSPEL OF MARK
Mark 5: 1-43
“ARE YOU DESPERATE FOR JESUS?”

As we travel the road of discipleship, we will come face to face with the overwhelming needs of humanity. The situation is desperate, and calls for reckless abandon to draw near to Jesus Christ.

- I. WE SHOULD BE DESPERATE BECAUSE OF DEMONS (Mk. 5: 1-20)**
- a. When you close your heart to God' Spirit, you open it for demonic ones.
 - b. Demons come to torture and destroy. Jesus comes to deliver (v. 3-10)
 - c. Salvation allows us to be clothed and in our right minds (v. 11-15)
 - d. When Jesus affects the income, He is often asked to leave (v.16-17)

- II. WE SHOULD BE DESPERATE BECAUSE OF DISEASE (Mk 5: 21-34)**
- a. Disease can kill us slowly or quickly. Jesus has the cure (v. 21-24)
 - b. Some try all the rest before they try the very best! (v. 25-29)

Numbers 15:37-40 (NKJV)

³⁷ Again the Lord spoke to Moses, saying,

³⁸ "Speak to the children of Israel: Tell them to make tassels on the corners of their garments throughout their generations, and to put a blue thread in the tassels of the corners.

³⁹ And you shall have the tassel, that you may look upon it and remember all the commandments of the Lord and do them, and that you *may* not follow the harlotry to which your own heart and your own eyes are inclined,

⁴⁰ and that you may remember and do all My commandments, and be holy for your God.

- c. Jesus requires public confession for total healing (v. 30-34)

- III. WE SHOULD BE DESPERATE BECAUSE OF DEATH (Mk. 5: 35-43)**
- a. Never let delays cause spiritual doubt (v. 35-36)
 - b. God shows His best to those who trust Him most (v. 37-43)

OTHERS RECOGNIZE THE NEED TO BE DESPERATE FOR JESUS. DO YOU?

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