

~GERASENES (179)

(Ger'a-senes) [Of, or belonging to Gerasa]

- In the country of the **Gerasenes**, of which at least a portion lay East of the Sea of Galilee, Jesus Christ healed two demon-possessed men.
- Well, they got to the other side of the sea into the country of the **Gerasenes**. (Mark 5:1)
- And immediately after he got out of the boat a man under the power of an unclean spirit met him from among the memorial tombs. (Mark 5:2)
- He had his haunt among the tombs, and up to that time absolutely nobody was able to bind him fast even with a chain. (Mark 5:3)
- Because he had oftentimes been bound with fetters and chains, but the chains were snapped apart by him and the fetters were actually smashed, and nobody had the strength to subdue him. (Mark 5:4)
- And continually, night and day, he was crying out in the tombs and in the mountains and slashing himself with stones. (Mark 5:5)
- But on catching sight of Jesus from a distance he ran and did obeisance to him. (Mark 5:6)
- And, when he had cried out with a loud voice, he said; What have I to do with you, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I put you under oath by God not to torment me. (Mark 5:7)
- For he had been telling it; Come out of the man, you unclean spirit. (Mark 5:8)
- But he began to ask him; What is your name? And he said to him; My name is Legion, because there are many of us. (Mark 5:9)
- And he entreated him many times not to send the spirits out of

- the country. (**Mark 5:10**)
- **Now a great herd of swine was there at the mountain feeding. (Mark 5:11)**
 - **So they entreated him, saying; Send us into the swine, that we may enter into them. (Mark 5:12)**
 - **And he permitted them. With that the unclean spirits came out and entered into the swine, and the herd rushed over the precipice into the sea, about two thousand of them, and they drowned one after another in the sea. (Mark 5:13)**
 - **But the herders of them fled and reported it in the city and in the countryside, and people came to see what it was that had happened. (Mark 5:14)**
 - **So they came to Jesus, and they beheld the demon-possessed man sitting clothed and in his sound mind, this man that had had the legion, and they grew fearful. (Mark 5:15)**
 - **Also, those who had seen it related to them how this had happened to the demon-possessed man and about the swine. (Mark 5:16)**
 - **And so they started to entreat him to go away from their districts. (Mark 5:17)**
 - **Now as he was boarding the boat, the man that had been demon-possessed began entreating him that he might continue with him. (Mark 5:18)**
 - **However, he did not let him, but said to him; Go home to your relatives, and report to them all the things Yehowah has done for you and the mercy he had on you. (Mark 5:19)**
 - **And he went away and started to proclaim in the Decapolis all the things Jesus did for him, and all the people began to wonder. (Mark 5:20)**
 - **And they put in to shore in the country of the **Gerasenes**, which is on the side opposite Galilee. (Luke 8:26)**
 - **But as he got out onto land a certain man from the city who had**

demons met him. And for a considerable time he had not worn clothing, and he was staying, not at home, but among the tombs. (Luke 8:27)

- At the sight of Jesus he cried aloud and fell down before him, and with a loud voice he said; What have I to do with you, Jesus Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me. (Luke 8:28)
- For he had been ordering the unclean spirit to come out of the man. For over a long time it had held him fast, and he was repeatedly bound with chains and fetters under guard, but he would burst the bonds and be driven by the demon into the lonely places. (Luke 8:29)
- Jesus asked him; What is your name? He said; Legion, because many demons had entered into him. (Luke 8:30)
- And they kept entreating him not to order them to go away into the abyss. (Luke 8:31)
- Now a herd of a considerable number of swine was feeding there on the mountain, so they entreated him to permit them to enter into those. And he gave them permission. (Luke 8:32)
- Then the demons went out of the man and entered into the swine, and the herd rushed over the precipice into the lake and drowned. (Luke 8:33)
- But when the herders saw what had happened, they fled and reported it to the city and to the countryside. (Luke 8:34)
- Then people turned out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons came out, clothed and in his sound mind, sitting at the feet of Jesus, and they became fearful. (Luke 8:35)
- Those who had seen it reported to them how the demon-possessed man had been made well. (Luke 8:36)
- So all the multitude from the surrounding country of the **Gerasenes** asked him to get away from them, because they were in the grip of great fear. Then he went aboard the boat and turned away. (Luke 8:37)

- However, the man from whom the demons had gone out kept begging to continue with him, but he dismissed the man, saying; **(Luke 8:38)**
- Be on your way back home, and keep on relating what things God did for you. Accordingly he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city what things Jesus did for him. **(Luke 8:39)**
- When he got to the other side, into the country of the Gadarenes, there met him two demon-possessed men coming out from among the memorial tombs, unusually fierce, so that nobody had the courage to pass by on that road. **(Matthew 8:28)**
- And, look! They screamed, saying; What have we to do with you, Son of God? Did you come here to torment us before the appointed time? **(Matthew 8:29)**
- But a long way off from them a herd of many swine was at pasture. **(Matthew 8:30)**
- So the demons began to entreat him, saying; If you expel us, send us forth into the herd of swine. **(Matthew 8:31)**
- Accordingly he said to them; Go! They came out and went off into the swine, and, look! The entire herd rushed over the precipice into the sea and died in the waters. **(Matthew 8:32)**
- But the herders fled and, going into the city, they reported everything, including the affair of the demon-possessed men. **(Matthew 8:33)**
- And, look! All the city turned out to meet Jesus, and after having seen him, they earnestly urged him to move out from their districts. **(Matthew 8:34)**
- The exact limits of this region are today unknown, and the identification is uncertain. Some scholars would link the country of the **Gerasenes** with the area around **Khera** on the East shore of the Sea of Galilee. Others suggest that the designation may apply to the large district radiating from the city of **Gerasa, Jarash**.

See Also GADARENES

