YOUR STORY: MORE THAN A POST

I. GOD - Luke 8:26-39 - Matt 8, Mark 5

- A. <u>V26</u> Gadarenes Gadara means walls
- B. <u>V27</u> Certain man met him (Matthew says it was two men)
 - 1. From the city (man "of the city")
 - 2. <u>Mark 5:5</u> 5 And always, night and day, he was in the mountains and in the tombs, crying out and cutting himself with stones.
 - a) <u>**Cry out**</u> *krazo* Scream, shriek, shout
- C. <u>V28-29</u> When he saw Jesus
 - 1. <u>Statement</u> Jesus commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man.
 - 2. <u>**Response</u>** Fell down before Him (Mark says "worshiped" Him)</u>
 - 3. <u>**Torment**</u> *basanizo* Torture; inflict pain, agony or punishment. Doom of evil spirits.
 - a) Matt 8 Torture us before "the time" (appointed time)
 - <u>1 John 3:8</u> 8 For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.
 - 4. <u>V29</u> Commanded unclean spirit to come out of the man
 - a) <u>Seized</u> To move or force off course
 - b) Mark 5:4 4...And the chains had been pulled apart by him, and the shackles broken in pieces; neither could anyone tame him.
 - c) <u>Wilderness</u> lonesome, deserted wasteland
- D. <u>V30</u> What is your name?
 - 1. Legion Roman unit of 6,000 soldiers
 - a) Mark 5:9 9...And he answered, saying, "My name is Legion; for we are many."
 - 2. "Many demons had entered him"
 - a) **<u>Entered</u>** *eiserchomai* to move into a space; an opening and an access
 - (1) **<u>Eph 4:27</u>** Give no "place" to the devil.
 - (2) **James 4:7** Submit to God, Resist the devil and he will flee.
- E. <u>V32-33</u>
 - 1. **John 10:10** 10 The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy.
- F. <u>V35</u> Sitting, clothed and in his right mind
 - 1. Sitting at the feet of Jesus Instructed by, learn from; new master
 - 2. <u>Clothed</u> Sin left him exposed but Jesus clothed him with a robe of righteousness

- a) **Isa 61:10** 10...For He has clothed me with the garments of salvation, He has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
- 3. <u>**Right Mind</u>** <u>2 Tim 1:7</u> 7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.</u>
- G. <u>V37</u> -
 - 1. <u>Seized</u> *sunecho* Pulled between two alternatives/directions; great pressure, distressed or troubled
 - 2. <u>V36</u> They were afraid now?
 - a) Matt 8:28 described them as "Exceedingly fierce so that no one could pass that way.
 - (1) **<u>Fierce</u>** *chalepos* Causes trouble or is inclined to violent, dangerous activity.