

# Welcome to Bible Study 19 June 2022 – Healed – Inside and Out

## Opening Prayer (pray together)

O Lord, from whom all good things come, grant to us your humble servants your holy inspiration by your merciful guidance help us to perform the work that you require of us. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

## Q 1 Do you think Jesus still has an impact on our damaged and divided World?

## Music Worship

As the deer pants for the water  
The Lord is my Shepherd  
Amazing Grace

## Word: Psalm 22.19-28

<sup>19</sup> But you, LORD, do not be far from me. You are my strength; come quickly to help me.

<sup>20</sup> Deliver me from the sword, my precious life from the power of the dogs.

<sup>21</sup> Rescue me from the mouth of the lions; save me from the horns of the wild oxen.

<sup>22</sup> I will declare your name to my people; in the assembly I will praise you.

<sup>23</sup> You who fear the LORD, praise him! All you descendants of Jacob, honour him!

Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!

<sup>24</sup> For he has not despised or scorned the suffering of the afflicted one; he has not hidden his face from him but has listened to his cry for help.

<sup>25</sup> From you comes the theme of my praise in the great assembly; before those who fear you I will fulfill my vows.

<sup>26</sup> The poor will eat and be satisfied; those who seek the LORD will praise him—may your hearts live forever!

<sup>27</sup> All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him,

<sup>28</sup> for dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations.

## Word: Luke 8.26-39

## Jesus Restores a Demon-Possessed Man

<sup>26</sup> They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. <sup>27</sup> When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demon-possessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs. <sup>28</sup> When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet, shouting at the top of his voice, “What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don’t torture me!”

<sup>29</sup> For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard, he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places.

<sup>30</sup> Jesus asked him, “What is your name?” “Legion,” he replied, because many demons had gone into him. <sup>31</sup> And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss.

<sup>32</sup> A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and he gave them permission. <sup>33</sup> When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

<sup>34</sup> When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, <sup>35</sup> and the people went out to see what had happened. When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus’ feet, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. <sup>36</sup> Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured. <sup>37</sup> Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and left.

<sup>38</sup> The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, <sup>39</sup> “Return home and tell how much God has done for you.” So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

**Q 2 When Jesus encounters us, a transformation begins. Do you agree?**

**Q 3 Jesus had a healing ministry. Do you believe that Jesus still heals today? Have you ever experienced this in your life?**

**Q 4 After Jesus heals the possessed man he is clothed and in his right mind. Could you imagine how ready he was to share what God had done for him. Many today are still possessed by drugs, alcohol and other demons yet Jesus continues to heal . Please discuss**

## **Works**

Let’s pray together for peace in our World, and those of our loved ones that are possessed in one way or another. **Let’s pray for our works through our ending prayer together.** Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are worth nothing, send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues. Our prayers are offered for the people of the world, may your love be in their hearts. Our prayers are for are families and friends, let them all see your wonderful love that atones for our sins. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ’s sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever, Amen.

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