

INTRODUCTION

- * When we considered Jesus healing of the demoniac of the Gadarenes (8:26-39), we saw that the Greek term "δαίμονιζομαι" which is best translated by it's transliteration: demonized. Biblically, it refers to someone who is being vexed by a demon - whether through possession or oppression. That man of the Gadarenes was possessed by many demons, for when Jesus asked the demon - who was speaking through the man - his name, he declared that it was "Legion" for in the host were many demons.
- * In Today's passage, Jesus casts out another demon and that begins a conversation and opportunity for Jesus to present teaching regarding the power and activities of demons.

INSTRUCTION**I. THE RE _____ OF THE DEMON (v. 14; cf. Matthew 9:32-33)**

- * cf. 1 Kings 22:19-23; Matthew 12:22; Luke 13:11-12,16; Acts 16:16

II. THE RE _____ OF THE CROWD (v. 15-16)**A. The Accusation of the Pharisees (cf. Matthew 12:24)****B. The Testing (peirazo) of the Crowd****III. THE RE _____ OF THE MESSIAH (v. 17-26)****A. A D _____ House (v. 17-23)**

1. THE P _____ (v. 18-20)

- a. If Satan is Divided Against Himself ...
- b. If I Cast Out Demons by Beelzebub ...
- c. If I Cast Out Demons with the Finger of God ...

2. THE P _____ (v. 21-22)

3. THE P _____ (v. 23)

- a. He Who _____ (cf. 9:50)
- b. He Who _____

B. A S _____ House (v. 24-26)

1. THE PREDICAMENT OF THE U _____ (v. 24-25)

- a. His Exit (v. 24)
- b. His Search (v. 24-25)
 - i. R _____ *IN THE WILDERNESS* (v. 24; cf. Revelation 18:2; Jeremiah 50:39; Isaiah 34:4)
 - ii. R _____ *TO HIS HOST* (v. 24-25)

2. THE PREDICAMENT OF THE M _____ (v. 26)

- a. The Invitation of the Unclean Spirit
- b. The Situation of the Host

INTROSPECTION

- * Do you believe that demons are real?
- * Do you believe that people - even in the United States - can be possessed by demons?
- * Regarding Jesus statement "He who does not gather with Me scatters" ... Are you a gatherer, or a scatterer?
- * Is there a need to change the way you think and therefore the way you act?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * How can we, individually and as an assembly, become more aware of the spiritual realm and it's affects upon our lives?