



Taming The Untamed

And they came over unto the other side of the sea, unto the country of the Gadarenes. And when He was come out of the ship, immediately there met Him out of the tombs, a man with an unclean spirit, who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains: Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces; neither could any man tame him (Mark 5:1-4).

I want to bring to you today, a story recorded in the Bible, that I feel is very needful in our society today.

Christ and His disciples came to the country of the Gadarenes. No sooner had Jesus and His disciples landed on shore, when there came a wild man possessed of demons to meet them.

What a reception this was!

The town Mayor did not meet Jesus.

The City Council did not meet Jesus.

Just a dirty old naked man possessed by demons.

This would have been enough to stay in the boat, and head back to the other side.

It is my personal opinion, that Jesus wanted the gospel preached in the country of the Gadarenes. This demonic was all He had to work with.

This wasn't much of a choice.

This man was devil possessed.

This man was naked.

This man did not have a college education.

This man was not eloquent in speech.

This man was not of high moral standing.

This man had a bad reputation.

This man lived among the tombs. His home was the country graveyard. A tombstone was his pillow at night.

He was a terror to the countryside.

People locked their doors at night for fear of him.

He was often bound in chains by the city police, but he broke them asunder. The city jail could not hold him, and the town council could not tame him. He was a man that could not be rehabilitated. He was a threat to his society.

What a pity, crying in the tombs, cutting himself with stones, foaming at the mouth, and running naked.

Seems like our society today. There are many who are possessed by demons. There are many who cannot be rehabilitated. There are many who are a threat to our society. There are many who cannot be tamed.

Our jails and prisons are full of these demonic outcasts.

Our prisons are full of murderers.

Our prisons are full of rapists.

Our prisons are full of robbers.

Our prisons are full of drug addicts.

Our prisons are full of child molesters.

The list could go on and on. Outcasts of our society. The untamed.

Building more jails and prisons is not the answer, as more will come. No man or society can tame them.

Sin leaves its mark on the outcasts of our society.

City Hall has no answers.

The police don't know what to do.

The Mayor has no answers.

The Governor has no cure.

Wild men! Untamed men! Men of darkness!

May I present the cure?

May I present the solution?

May I present Jesus Christ, who can tame the untamed?

This demonic of the Gadarenes, met the Master that day.

He met the God of Israel.

He met the living Word of God.

He met the deliverer of sin and suffering.

He met the rehabilitator.

Bound with over 2,000 demons, he was set free by the power of God.

By the Word of the Lord, he was set free.

By the Word of the Lord, he was a new man.

Demons are no match for Jesus Christ.

Hell is no match for the power of God.

Jesus Christ tamed the untamed that day. The demonic was healed, clothed, and in his right mind.

City Hall could not cope with the power of God.

The Mayor could not cope with the power of God.

The Chief of Police could not cope with the power of God.

The Governor could not cope with the power of God.

They demanded Jesus to depart from their country.

Here was one who could heal their sick.

Here was one who could cast out their devils.

Here was one who could heal their lepers.

Here was one who could open the eyes of their blind.

Here was one who could raise their dead.

Here was one who could empty their jails and prisons.

“Depart from us Jesus, we don’t want your kind in our country.”

Our society today, does not want the power of God.

Our society does not want the Word of God.

Our society does not want the bound to go free.

Our society does not want sinners converted.

Let me stand on the Word of God, and tell you, City Council, Jesus is the answer.

Let me tell you Mayor, Sir, Jesus is the answer.

Let me tell you Governor, Sir, Jesus is the answer.

Let me tell you Judge, Sir, Jesus is the answer.

Build your jails, build your prisons, arrest your outcasts, burden your taxpayers; only the power of God will change the untamed.

The demonic of the Gadarenes was changed. It worked with him. He wanted to follow Jesus, and be His disciple.

Do you know what the healed demonic did? He began to be an evangelist of the gospel throughout all the regions of Decapolis. He began to tell the people about the delivering power of Jesus Christ.

What a testimony! What a witness for Christ!

Here was the tamed, who was the untamed.

Here was the bound who was unbound.

Here was the naked who was clothed.

Here was the bruised who was healed.

Here was the screamer who was now the preacher.

A good Holy Ghost revival throughout our land will cleanse the untamed.

A good Holy Ghost revival will empty our jails.

A good Holy Ghost revival will empty our prisons.

A good Holy Ghost revival will save our children.

A good Holy Ghost revival will civilize our society.

A good Holy Ghost revival will do, in one hour, what our society has tried to do in fifty years.

Our problem, in our society today is, we have put the Holy Ghost revival in our churches, and let the untamed go free.

We need to get the Holy Ghost revival out of our churches, and turn it loose on our society.

Only Jesus can tame the untamed.