

## Puppet Show: Mark 5

## Transformed to Right Mind

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Puppet 1: Jesus

Puppet 3: Disciple

Puppet 2: Wild man

Prop: Boat with other disciples in it -- in front

Pigs: stuffed pigs or balloons or pictures or plastic

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*Scene 1: Boat is on the left, in front of the puppet stand. Jesus and Disciple appear in the boat, but are behind the puppet stand. Wild man is on the right. Background prop: rocks. P2 Wildman has no shirt on and has chains around his wrist.*

Disciple: What is all that noise? This is a place of tombs. It looks and feels spooky.

Wildman: Arrrgh! A boat is coming! (yell) Aaaaaa

Sound: Chains rattling

Jesus: That poor man is a prisoner of Satan. No man can control him. He can not even control himself! I have come to set the prisoners free and heal the broken hearted.

Disciple: Ooo! He is bleeding from many cuts. He looks wild! Watch out Jesus!

*Scene 2: Jesus gets out of boat by walking right towards wild man. Disciple stays in boat.*

Wildman: (runs towards Jesus and shouts) What do you want with me Jesus, Son of the Most High God?

Jesus: Come out of this man, you evil spirit!

Wildman: (shouts) Swear to God that you won't torture me!

Disciple: Jesus nor God tortures anyone! They are loving, gracious, and merciful.

Jesus: What is your name?

Wildman: My name is Legion for we are many. Please don't send me away. Don't send me away. Don't send me away. Hey, there are some pigs up there. Send me to the pigs. Allow us to go to them. Just don't send me to the abyss. Don't send us away.

Jesus: Go to the pigs.

Pigs: (thrown over the rock background and land in front of the stage)

Disciple: What?! The pigs just ran over the cliff and drowned in the sea!

Jesus: (talking to Wildman) Here put some clothes on.

(Wildman goes behind scene to put shirt on)

Disciple: Oh no. Look! The pig herdsman are looking over the cliff. They see us and they look really mad! They sound mad! I think they are yelling at us.

Wildman: Thank you Jesus! You set me free!

Jesus: God loves you. Your sins are forgiven. You are a new man ready to do all that the wonderful plans God has for you.

Wildman: Yes! I love you so much! I do want to do what God wants me to do!

Disciple: The towns people are coming. They're yelling that we need to leave. They blame us for killing the pigs.

Jesus: (walks towards boat and then behind boat) OK it's time to go.

Wildman: Please can I go with you! The people of the town don't like me.

Jesus: Remember you are a new man now. Go home to your family and tell them how much the Lord has done for you and how He has had mercy on you.

Wildman: Ok. I will do what you want me to do. Thank you for your mercy Jesus. Thank you for setting me free! I won't listen to the devil anymore! I will pray to God.

Jesus: (to disciples) Next time we come to this area, the people will be ready to hear the good news of God's love.