

Sunday Worship 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2020

**OPENING PRAYER:** God our Father, we pray that the message of your Son will dwell richly among us, as we teach and admonish one another with the wisdom you give, and sing with thankfulness in our hearts to you. And whatever we do, in word or deed, may it be done in the name of our Saviour Jesus Christ, and for his glory. Amen.

**SONGS:** **Contemporary** - *Hear our Prayer* <https://youtu.be/8wUVKZCPQ8o>  
**Hymn** – *The Lord's my Shepherd* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Msh0PAJfPU>

**FAMILY SPOT:** Day 7 of Creation - *God Rested* <https://youtu.be/ol6ReSXW9ss>

**FAMILY SONG:** Bigger than big - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b\\_Vwba3dGeY](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b_Vwba3dGeY)

**BIBLE PASSAGE - Mark 5:1-20 (included in Bible Spot)**

<sup>1</sup> They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes. <sup>2</sup> When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an impure spirit came from the tombs to meet him. <sup>3</sup> This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain. <sup>4</sup> For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. <sup>5</sup> Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones.

<sup>6</sup> When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. <sup>7</sup> He shouted at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In God's name don't torture me!" <sup>8</sup> For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, you impure spirit!"

<sup>9</sup> Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"  
"My name is Legion," he replied, "for we are many." <sup>10</sup> And he begged Jesus again and again not to send them out of the area.

<sup>11</sup> A large herd of pigs was feeding on the nearby hillside. <sup>12</sup> The demons begged Jesus, "Send us among the pigs; allow us to go into them." <sup>13</sup> He gave them permission, and the impure spirits came out and went into the pigs. The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

<sup>14</sup> Those tending the pigs ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. <sup>15</sup> When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. <sup>16</sup> Those who had seen it told the people what had happened to the demon-possessed man—and told about the pigs as well. <sup>17</sup> Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region.

<sup>18</sup> As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with him. <sup>19</sup> Jesus did not let him, but said, "Go home to your own people and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you." <sup>20</sup> So the man went away and began to tell in the Decapolis<sup>[b]</sup> how much Jesus had done for him. And all the people were amazed.

**BIBLE SPOT:** *Who is this man? Jesus, the one who restores.*

<https://youtu.be/CVEkpA6R18M>

**CONFESSION:** Merciful God, our maker and our judge, we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed: we have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves: we repent, and are sorry for all our sins. Father, forgive us. Strengthen us to love and obey you in newness of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**COMMUNITY SPOT:** Susan Starr, "How God restored." <https://youtu.be/858Zz2UXh40>

### **PSALM 116: 1-2, 11-18**

I love the LORD, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. <sup>2</sup> Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live... In my alarm I said, "Everyone is a liar."  
<sup>12</sup> What shall I return to the LORD for all his goodness to me? <sup>13</sup> I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD. <sup>14</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people. <sup>15</sup> Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his faithful servants. <sup>16</sup> Truly I am your servant, LORD; I serve you just as my mother did; you have freed me from my chains. <sup>17</sup> I will sacrifice a thank offering to you and call on the name of the LORD. <sup>18</sup> I will fulfill my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

**PRAYER SPOT** <https://youtu.be/L30cMNV3FtQ>

### **PRAYER**

God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, our only Saviour, the Prince of Peace: give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great danger we are in by our divisions. Take away all prejudice and pride, and whatever else may hinder true harmony, for there is only one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all.

Grant that we may glorify your name together that the world may believe in you. Amen.

**LORD'S PRAYER:** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

**SONG:** *I will sing a wondrous story (Colin Buchanan)* - <https://youtu.be/-JZv6K-hiU8>

**FINAL PRAYER:** Lord God, we rejoice in your greatness and power, your gentleness and love, your mercy and justice. Enable us by your Spirit to honour you in our thoughts, and words and actions, and to serve you in every aspect of our lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

For later: Reasonable Faith - Who did Jesus think He was? Study Guide below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sSQDov6NNp0&feature=youtu.be>

You can also access the video through the SWAC website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/swacresources/resources-home>

## **Study Guide to accompany Reasonable Faith: Who did Jesus think He was?**

Read and discuss the implications for Jesus hearers and for us today, of the following passages, quoted or alluded to in the video.

### **Jesus claimed to be:**

**1 The Messiah.** Read the following Scripture. Comment.

- Zechariah 9:9,
- Matthew 21:1-5
- Luke 19:37-40
- John 12:12-19

What does the word Messiah mean? Look up these verses and add your own.

- Matthew 16:16
- Matthew 24:5
- Matthew 26:63-64

**2. The Son of God.** Read Matthew 21:33-46, consider the context of the parable and discuss the meaning.

**3. The Son of Man.** Read Daniel 7:13-14.

And see also

- Matt 13:14, 24:30, 25:31, 26:64,
- John 3:13, 5:27 to list a few.

What are the implications of Jesus claim to be the one named in this vision?

**4. All three.** Read Mark 14:61-63. Consider the huge significance of this.

Jesus also claimed power to perform miracles

- To cast out demons
- To revise Old Testament law
- To forgive sins

And that everyone's eternal destiny was determined solely by whether we believe in Him.

- John 10:7-18,
- John 14:6-7