



Awe-Full Power

SERMON NOTES

Mark 4:35 - 5:20 • Pastor Dan Nold

WHY ARE YOU AFRAID?

As evening came, Jesus said to his disciples, "Let's cross to the other side of the lake." So they took Jesus in the boat and started out, leaving the crowds behind (although other boats followed). But soon a fierce storm came up. High waves were breaking into the boat, and it began to fill with water. Jesus was sleeping at the back of the boat with his head on a cushion. The disciples woke him up, shouting, "Teacher, don't you care that we're going to drown?" When Jesus woke up, he rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Silence! Be still!" Suddenly the wind stopped, and there was a great calm. Then he asked them, "Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?" The disciples were absolutely terrified. "Who is this man?" they asked each other. "Even the wind and waves obey him!" Mark 4:35-41 (NLT)

THE ANTIDOTE TO FEAR IS faith.

A crowd soon gathered around Jesus, and they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons. He was sitting there fully clothed and perfectly sane, AND THEY WERE ALL AFRAID. Then those who had seen what happened told the others about the demon possessed man and the pigs. And the crowd began pleading with Jesus to go away and leave them alone. Mark 5:15-17 (NLT)

I AM AFRAID BECAUSE...

PEOPLE WERE AFRAID OF HIS POWER

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God-Awe-Full POWER

So they arrived at the other side of the lake, in the region of the Gerasenes. When Jesus climbed out of the boat, a man possessed by an evil spirit came out from a cemetery to meet him. This man lived among the burial caves and could no longer be restrained, even with a chain. Whenever he was put into chains and shackles -- as he often was -- he snapped the chains from his wrists and smashed the shackles. No one was strong enough to subdue him. Day and night he wandered among the burial caves and in the hills, howling and cutting himself with sharp stones. When Jesus was still some distance away, the man saw him, ran to meet him, and bowed low before him. With a shriek, he screamed, "Why are you interfering with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? In the name of God, I beg you, don't torture me!" For Jesus had already said to the spirit, "Come out of the man, you evil spirit." Then Jesus demanded, "What is your name?" And he replied, "My name is Legion, because there are many of us inside this man..." Mark 5:1-9 (NLT)

THE POWER OF untameable hope.

And the crowd began pleading with Jesus to go away and leave them alone. As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon possessed begged to go with him. But Jesus said, "No, go home to your family, and tell them everything the Lord has done for you and how merciful he has been." So the man started off to visit the Ten Towns of that region and began to proclaim the great things Jesus had done for him; and everyone was amazed at what he told them. Mark 5:17-20 (NLT)

THE POWER FOR our mission.

THE POWER OF untamed love.

THE LEAVE-A-MARK QUESTION:

WILL I TRUST HIM?

upcoming events

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Sat-Sun	5/1-2	---	PSU Care Package Weekend!
Tues-Wed	5/4-5	---	Calvary Office Closed - Staff Retreat
Sat	5/8	7pm	ThirdPlace Celebration
Sat-Sun	5/8-9	---	Child Dedications Happy Mother's Day!
Sat	6/5	---	Men's Golf Tournament
Fri	6/17-28	---	Estonia Mission Trip
Mon	6/28-7/1	---	Calvary Kids' Sports Camp
Tue	6/29	6-8pm	Intro to Life Group Leadership
Mon	7/12-30	---	Rwanda Mission Trip
	7/12-16	---	S.O.S. 2010 (Summer of Service)

*This list does not include recurring events.
Check Calvary's calendar for complete listing: www.calvarysc.org/calendar

A Closer Look

5/9 Last 9am Midtown Gathering due to summer hiatus. Stay tuned for the fall launch date!

Missions Update: Last month, Calvary's Mission Team sponsored the inaugural meeting of a new "Mission Resource Team," comprised of people who want to offer their knowledge, experience and professional skills to help our missionaries. To start, we're focusing on agriculture, but over time we'll expand into other areas.

We've already received an enthusiastic response from one missionary in Africa who wrote: "Thanks for this exciting email! We would definitely be interested. Almost everything you mention [team member areas of expertise] can be of some use to us."

The Mission Resource Team will meet once or twice each semester during the academic year for relevant programs and will engage with our missionaries both from a distance and through trips to their locations. If your expertise is in agriculture and you're interested in joining the team, please e-mail julie@calvarysc.org.

REMEMBER! To give to Calvary's Mission Budget, designate "Missions Fund" on your check. Toss in offering plate, drop-box, or donate online.

New to Calvary? Welcome! Please pick up a Guest Guide in the lobby.

THE WEEKLY

5.1-2.10

MEMBER OF THE STATE
COLLEGE CITY-CHURCH

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On 4/17-18, our worship gatherings were canceled in order to serve the community in the name of Christ. Here are reflections from one CityServe participant:

"CityServe could not have gone better. I was part of two projects which God put together perfectly. The first day, we had a small group of three to do a cleaning job. As I described the tasks to be completed, Ted said with a twinkle in his eye, "Don't you know the saying, 'I don't do windows'?" He then took over the entire task of window cleaning and didn't stop smiling. The remaining two of us deep-cleaned a set of bathrooms. My teammate, being taller, could reach the high places more easily. She, however, couldn't stay on her knees for long due to an injury, so I tackled the floors. We were all necessary parts, coming together to work for one purpose. This week, I received an email from the director thanking us for a job well done. Another staff member had also obtained my email so that she could send a personal thank you for her clean windows. It's nice to think of the sun's rays touching her as she works, just as the Son allowed us to reach into the lives of so many this past weekend.

On Sunday, we had another perfect fit team cleaning at the Second Mile. We divided into pairs and the jobs fell into place. A father and son team, Michael and Matthew, took on the handyman tasks. While putting up a new set of blinds, they found that the new ones were a different size and did not fit the window space. Undeterred, they made an extension that allowed the blinds to fit. I was grateful for their determination. Two high schoolers worked diligently to scrub a stairwell. Two groups reached and strained to clean dead bugs from the overhead fluorescent light panels (eek!). Another volunteer and I gave ourselves a short training on carpet cleaning and began a full sweep of the building. I was soon called away to handle questions as team leader and my teammate quickly stepped in and finished all two floors. None of the tasks resembled Mother Theresa tending to the sick or feeding hungry people. But everyone was willing to do what was asked because God had brought us there as His body, and He was laying claim to our city through our service to it. It reminded me of Jesus washing the disciples feet, and saying "Unless I wash you, you have no part with me." —A CityServe Team Leader



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