

Study Guide on Luke 8:26-36

New Revised Standard Bible

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

Luke 8:26-36

(Luke 8:26) Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee.

(Luke 8:27) As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs.

(Luke 8:28) When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"—

(Luke 8:29) for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.)

(Luke 8:30) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him.

(Luke 8:31) They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

(Luke 8:32) Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission.

(Luke 8:33) Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

(Luke 8:34) When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country.

(Luke 8:35) Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid.

(Luke 8:36) Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?