



June 19, 2022
Luke 8:26-39

The Second Sunday
after Pentecost

Use this resource at home to guide your household's daily devotions.



Pray: Light a candle. Open your devotion with prayer.

God of power, you release us from all that possesses us and reorder human-made systems of injustice. May we be open to the transforming work of your spirit in our lives and collaborators with you in the work of restoring this wounded world. For the sake of Jesus. Amen.



Read: Read the key verses from Sunday's reading.

³⁵Then 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... ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. (Luke 8:35, 37b)



Reflect: Reflect on the scripture summary.

The townspeople were content to let the demon-infested man live in torment outside the town. But Jesus had other plans, and it would throw a wrench in everything.



Connect: Connect in conversation with others in your household or community.

What was a high point of your day? What was a low point?

Why do you think the townspeople were upset with Jesus for healing the man of his demons? What demons have a hold on you that you are reluctant to let go?

For the littles: Do you find Jesus scary sometimes? Why or why not?



Bless: Close your devotion with a blessing.

May God release you from your struggles. Amen.



Do: By acting on what we learn, we make God's word come alive. Do the following activity this week.

Think of something you know you need to do, but are putting it off because you are afraid. Tackle it head on. Talk about it if talking is helpful. Do whatever you need to move through the fear.



Go Deeper: Read the daily readings together each day.

Sunday, 1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a; Isaiah 65:1-9; Galatians 3:23-29
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Monday, Psalm 59; 2 Kings 9:1-13; 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

Tuesday, Psalm 59; 2 Kings 9:14-26; Ephesians 2:11-22

Wednesday, Psalm 59; 2 Kings 9:30-37; Luke 9:37-43a

Thursday, Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20; 1 Kings 22:29-40, 51-53;
2 Corinthians 13:5-10

Friday, Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20; 2 Kings 1:1-12; Galatians 4:8-20

Saturday, Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20; 2 Kings 1:13-18; 2:3-5; Luke 9:21-27