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WEEK 4

# DAY 22: JESUS PURCHASED OUR HEALING

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

ISAIAH 53:4-5, NEW CENTURY VERSION (NCV):

4 BUT HE TOOK OUR SUFFERING ON HIM AND FELT OUR PAIN FOR US. WE SAW HIS SUFFERING AND THOUGHT GOD WAS PUNISHING HIM. 5 BUT HE WAS WOUNDED FOR THE WRONG WE DID; HE WAS CRUSHED FOR THE EVIL WE DID. THE PUNISHMENT, WHICH MADE US WELL, WAS GIVEN TO HIM, AND WE ARE HEALED BECAUSE OF HIS WOUNDS.

MATTHEW 8:17, CONTEMPORARY ENGLISH VERSION (CEV):

SO GOD'S PROMISE CAME TRUE, JUST AS THE PROPHET ISAIAH HAD SAID, "HE HEALED OUR DISEASES AND MADE US WELL."

1 PETER 2:24, NEW CENTURY VERSION (NCV):

CHRIST CARRIED OUR SINS IN HIS BODY ON THE CROSS SO WE WOULD STOP LIVING FOR SIN AND START LIVING FOR WHAT IS RIGHT. AND YOU ARE HEALED BECAUSE OF HIS WOUNDS.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

JESUS WAS OUR SUBSTITUTE. WHEN SOMEONE IS A SUBSTITUTE, IT MEANS THAT THEY ARE TAKING SOMEONE ELSE'S PLACE. JESUS TOOK OUR PLACE AND WAS PUNISHED FOR OUR SINS SO WE WOULD NOT HAVE TO BE PUNISHED. WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THAT? \_\_\_\_\_

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WHEN JESUS DIED ON THE CROSS, HE PAID THE PRICE FOR OUR SPIRITUAL HEALING. THAT MEANS THAT HE MADE A WAY FOR US TO BE FORGIVEN OF OUR SINS INSTEAD OF BEING PUNISHED FOR OUR SINS. IF WE ASK GOD TO FORGIVE US OF ANYTHING WRONG WE DO, HE WILL FORGIVE US. AND GOD DOESN'T GET TIRED OF FORGIVING US (1 JOHN 1:9). WRITE A SHORT PRAYER THANKING GOD FOR HIS FORGIVENESS. \_\_\_\_\_

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WHEN JESUS DIED ON THE CROSS, HE ALSO PAID THE PRICE FOR OUR PHYSICAL HEALING. THAT MEANS THAT WE CAN LIVE A LONG, HEALTHY LIFE AND WE DON'T HAVE TO LET SICKNESS ATTACK OUR BODIES. WRITE A SHORT PRAYER THANKING GOD FOR THE PRICE HE PAID FOR OUR HEALING. \_\_\_\_\_

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# DAY 23: THE CURSE OF THE LAW BROKEN

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

**GALATIANS 3:13-14, 29, NEW CENTURY VERSION (NCV):**

13 CHRIST TOOK AWAY THE CURSE THE LAW PUT ON US. HE CHANGED PLACES WITH US AND PUT HIMSELF UNDER THAT CURSE. IT IS WRITTEN IN THE SCRIPTURES, "ANYONE WHOSE BODY IS DISPLAYED ON A TREE IS CURSED." 14 CHRIST DID THIS SO THAT GOD'S BLESSING PROMISED TO ABRAHAM MIGHT COME THROUGH JESUS CHRIST TO THOSE WHO ARE NOT JEWS. JESUS DIED SO THAT BY OUR BELIEVING WE COULD RECEIVE THE SPIRIT THAT GOD PROMISED.

29 SO IF YOU BELONG TO CHRIST, YOU ARE NOW PART OF ABRAHAM'S FAMILY, AND YOU WILL BE GIVEN WHAT GOD HAS PROMISED.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

WHO IS SOMEONE THAT YOU ADMIRE OR LOOK UP TO? WHO IS SOMEONE THAT YOU WOULD CONSIDER LIKE A HERO AND YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE MORE LIKE THEM? WHY DO YOU LOOK UP TO THAT PERSON?

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JESUS BECAME CURSED WHEN HE DIED ON THE CROSS. HE DID THIS SO THAT WE COULD BE FREE TO RECEIVE GOD'S BLESSINGS. WE COULD SAY THAT JESUS RESCUED US OR THAT HE IS OUR HERO. JESUS IS SOMEONE WE CAN ALL LOOK UP TO. WHAT IS ONE THING THAT YOU ADMIRE ABOUT JESUS? \_\_\_\_\_

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IF YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF A CHRISTIAN, THEN YOU ARE PART OF ABRAHAM'S FAMILY. THAT JUST MEANS THAT ANYTHING GOD PROMISED TO ABRAHAM, GOD HAS ALSO PROMISED TO YOU. AND GOD PROMISED SOME BIG THINGS TO ABRAHAM! GOD DOESN'T JUST PROMISE US BIG THINGS, BUT HE ALSO KEEPS HIS PROMISES. DO YOU BELIEVE THAT GOD IS A PROMISE KEEPER? WHY OR WHY NOT?

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# DAY 24: JESUS SHOWED US THE FATHER

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

JOHN 14:5-11, NEW LIVING TRANSLATION (NLT):

5 "NO, WE DON'T KNOW, LORD," THOMAS SAID. "WE HAVE NO IDEA WHERE YOU ARE GOING, SO HOW CAN WE KNOW THE WAY?" 6 JESUS TOLD HIM, "I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE. NO ONE CAN COME TO THE FATHER EXCEPT THROUGH ME. 7 IF YOU HAD REALLY KNOWN ME, YOU WOULD KNOW WHO MY FATHER IS. FROM NOW ON, YOU DO KNOW HIM AND HAVE SEEN HIM!" 8 PHILIP SAID, "LORD, SHOW US THE FATHER, AND WE WILL BE SATISFIED." 9 JESUS REPLIED, "HAVE I BEEN WITH YOU ALL THIS TIME, PHILIP, AND YET YOU STILL DON'T KNOW WHO I AM? ANYONE WHO HAS SEEN ME HAS SEEN THE FATHER! SO WHY ARE YOU ASKING ME TO SHOW HIM TO YOU? 10 DON'T YOU BELIEVE THAT I AM IN THE FATHER AND THE FATHER IS IN ME? THE WORDS I SPEAK ARE NOT MY OWN, BUT MY FATHER WHO LIVES IN ME DOES HIS WORK THROUGH ME. 11 JUST BELIEVE THAT I AM IN THE FATHER AND THE FATHER IS IN ME. OR AT LEAST BELIEVE BECAUSE OF THE WORK YOU HAVE SEEN ME DO.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

THE BIBLE TALKS ABOUT HOW THERE WAS A TIME WHEN THE DISCIPLES DID NOT KNOW GOD EVEN THOUGH THEY PHYSICALLY SAW AND SPENT TIME WITH JESUS. EVEN THOUGH MOST OF US CANNOT SEE GOD WITH OUR PHYSICAL EYES, WE CAN STILL GET TO KNOW GOD THROUGH HIS WORD. WHAT ARE SOME THINGS THAT YOU KNOW ABOUT GOD? \_\_\_\_\_

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HAVE YOU EVER HEARD THE PHRASE "LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON?" WHAT DO YOU THINK THAT PHRASE MEANS? \_\_\_\_\_

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JESUS TOLD HIS DISCIPLES THAT IF THEY KNEW HIM, THEY ALSO KNEW GOD THE FATHER. AS FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST, OTHERS SHOULD GET TO KNOW WHO GOD IS BY LOOKING AT OUR LIVES. WHEN OTHERS LOOK AT YOUR LIFE, DO YOU THINK THEY SEE WHO GOD IS? WHY OR WHY NOT? \_\_\_\_\_

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# DAY 25: TEACHING, PREACHING, HEALING

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

### MATTHEW 4:23-24, CONTEMPORARY ENGLISH VERSION (CEV):

23 JESUS WENT ALL OVER GALILEE, TEACHING IN THE JEWISH MEETING PLACES AND PREACHING THE GOOD NEWS ABOUT GOD'S KINGDOM. HE ALSO HEALED EVERY KIND OF DISEASE AND SICKNESS. 24 NEWS ABOUT HIM SPREAD ALL OVER SYRIA, AND PEOPLE WITH EVERY KIND OF SICKNESS OR DISEASE WERE BROUGHT TO HIM. SOME OF THEM HAD A LOT OF DEMONS IN THEM, OTHERS WERE THOUGHT TO BE CRAZY, AND STILL OTHERS COULD NOT WALK. BUT JESUS HEALED THEM ALL.

### LUKE 4:16-21, CONTEMPORARY ENGLISH VERSION (CEV):

16 JESUS WENT BACK TO NAZARETH, WHERE HE HAD BEEN BROUGHT UP, AND AS USUAL HE WENT TO THE MEETING PLACE ON THE SABBATH. WHEN HE STOOD UP TO READ FROM THE SCRIPTURES, 17 HE WAS GIVEN THE BOOK OF ISAIAH THE PROPHET. HE OPENED IT AND READ, 18 "THE LORD'S SPIRIT HAS COME TO ME, BECAUSE HE HAS CHOSEN ME TO TELL THE GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR. THE LORD HAS SENT ME TO ANNOUNCE FREEDOM FOR PRISONERS, TO GIVE SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO FREE EVERYONE WHO SUFFERS, 19 AND TO SAY, 'THIS IS THE YEAR THE LORD HAS CHOSEN.'" 20 JESUS CLOSED THE BOOK, THEN HANDED IT BACK TO THE MAN IN CHARGE AND SAT DOWN. EVERYONE IN THE MEETING PLACE LOOKED STRAIGHT AT JESUS. 21 THEN JESUS SAID TO THEM, "WHAT YOU HAVE JUST HEARD ME READ HAS COME TRUE TODAY."

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

WHEN JESUS WAS ON EARTH, HE WAS BUSY TEACHING, PREACHING AND HEALING. THIS WAS PART OF HIS GOD-GIVEN ASSIGNMENT. JUST LIKE JESUS, WE NEED TO DO WHATEVER GOD HAS ASSIGNED US TO DO OR TOLD US TO DO. WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE IS YOUR GOD-GIVEN ASSIGNMENT RIGHT NOW? IF YOU DON'T KNOW, TAKE A MINUTE TO PRAY RIGHT NOW, THEN BE QUIET AND LISTEN FOR A MINUTE FOR GOD'S ANSWER. THEN WRITE DOWN WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD SPOKE TO YOU. \_\_\_\_\_

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JESUS KNEW WHAT GOD WANTED HIM TO DO WHILE HE WAS ON EARTH. HE EVEN READ PROPHECIES ABOUT HIS LIFE IN THE OLD TESTAMENT. BECAUSE JESUS KNEW HIS PURPOSE, HE WAS CONFIDENT AND BOLD TO LIVE OUT HIS PURPOSE. DO YOU FEEL CONFIDENT TO DO THINGS THAT GOD TELLS YOU TO DO? WHY OR WHY NOT? \_\_\_\_\_

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# DAY 26: JESUS IS WILLING TO HEAL

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

### MATTHEW 8:1-3, NEW LIVING TRANSLATION (NLT):

LARGE CROWDS FOLLOWED JESUS AS HE CAME DOWN THE MOUNTAIN SIDE. 2 SUDDENLY, A MAN WITH LEPROSY APPROACHED HIM AND KNELT BEFORE HIM. "LORD," THE MAN SAID, "IF YOU ARE WILLING, YOU CAN HEAL ME AND MAKE ME CLEAN." 3 JESUS REACHED OUT AND TOUCHED HIM. "I AM WILLING," HE SAID. "BE HEALED!" AND INSTANTLY THE LEPROSY DISAPPEARED.

### MATTHEW 9:20-22 NEW LIVING TRANSLATION (NLT):

20 JUST THEN A WOMAN WHO HAD SUFFERED FOR TWELVE YEARS WITH CONSTANT BLEEDING CAME UP BEHIND HIM. SHE TOUCHED THE FRINGE OF HIS ROBE, 21 FOR SHE THOUGHT, "IF I CAN JUST TOUCH HIS ROBE, I WILL BE HEALED." 22 JESUS TURNED AROUND, AND WHEN HE SAW HER HE SAID, "DAUGHTER, BE ENCOURAGED! YOUR FAITH HAS MADE YOU WELL." AND THE WOMAN WAS HEALED AT THAT MOMENT.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

WE READ ABOUT A LEPER IN THE BIBLE WHO BELIEVED THAT JESUS *COULD* HEAL HIM, BUT HE WASN'T SURE IF JESUS *WANTED* TO HEAL HIM. CAN YOU THINK OF A TIME WHEN YOU ALSO WERE NOT SURE IF GOD WOULD GIVE YOU SOMETHING THAT YOU ASKED FOR? \_\_\_\_\_

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JESUS WAS WILLING TO HEAL THE LEPER. JESUS DIDN'T HEAL THE LEPER BECAUSE THE LEPER EARNED OR DESERVED HEALING. JESUS HEALED THE LEPER BECAUSE HE LOVED HIM. JESUS IS ALSO WILLING TO HEAL US AND GIVE US MANY OTHER BLESSINGS. CAN YOU THINK OF A TIME WHEN GOD BLESSED YOU JUST BECAUSE HE WANTED TO SHOW YOU HE LOVED YOU? \_\_\_\_\_

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IMAGINE THAT YOU WERE SICK FOR 12 YEARS LIKE THE WOMAN WHO WAS BLEEDING IN MATTHEW 9. YOU WERE TAKING MANY MEDICINES, HAD SEEN MANY DOCTORS AND HAD PAID A LOT OF MONEY, BUT YOU ONLY BECAME WORSE. THEN ONE DAY JESUS HEALED YOU. HOW WOULD YOU FEEL AND WHAT WOULD YOU SAY TO JESUS? \_\_\_\_\_

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# DAY 27: TWO BLIND MEN HEALED

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

**MATTHEW 9:27-31, NEW LIVING TRANSLATION (NLT):**

27 AFTER JESUS LEFT THE GIRL'S HOME, TWO BLIND MEN FOLLOWED ALONG BEHIND HIM, SHOUTING, "SON OF DAVID, HAVE MERCY ON US!" 28 THEY WENT RIGHT INTO THE HOUSE WHERE HE WAS STAYING, AND JESUS ASKED THEM, "DO YOU BELIEVE I CAN MAKE YOU SEE?" "YES, LORD," THEY TOLD HIM, "WE DO." 29 THEN HE TOUCHED THEIR EYES AND SAID, "BECAUSE OF YOUR FAITH, IT WILL HAPPEN." 30 THEN THEIR EYES WERE OPENED, AND THEY COULD SEE! JESUS STERNLY WARNED THEM, "DON'T TELL ANYONE ABOUT THIS." 31 BUT INSTEAD, THEY WENT OUT AND SPREAD HIS FAME ALL OVER THE REGION.

NOW ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

JESUS TOLD THE BLIND MEN THAT THEY WOULD BE HEALED BECAUSE THEY HAD FAITH. HOW DO YOU THINK THE BLIND MEN SHOWED JESUS THAT THEY HAD FAITH TO BE HEALED? \_\_\_\_\_

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WHAT IS SOMETHING THAT YOU ARE BELIEVING FOR (HAVING FAITH FOR) RIGHT NOW? DO YOU BELIEVE THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE WHAT YOU ARE BELIEVING FOR? WHY OR WHY NOT? \_\_\_\_\_

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AFTER THE TWO BLIND MEN WERE HEALED, THEY TOLD PEOPLE ABOUT WHAT JESUS DID FOR THEM. WHAT IS SOMETHING THAT GOD HAS DONE FOR YOU THAT YOU CAN TELL OTHERS ABOUT? \_\_\_\_\_

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# DAY 28: DEMON POSSESSED MAN HEALED

PRAY THIS PRAYER: GOD, I THANK YOU THAT I KNOW YOUR VOICE AND THAT YOU WILL SPEAK TO ME AS I READ AND STUDY YOUR WORD TODAY.

## TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READING:

MARK 5:1-20, NEW LIVING TRANSLATION (NLT):

SO THEY ARRIVED AT THE OTHER SIDE OF THE LAKE, IN THE REGION OF THE GERASENES. 2 WHEN JESUS CLIMBED OUT OF THE BOAT, A MAN POSSESSED BY AN EVIL SPIRIT CAME OUT FROM THE TOMBS TO MEET HIM. 3 THIS MAN LIVED IN THE BURIAL CAVES AND COULD NO LONGER BE RESTRAINED, EVEN WITH A CHAIN. 4 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 SUBDUCE HIM. 5 DAY AND NIGHT HE WANDERED AMONG THE BURIAL CAVES AND IN THE HILLS, HOWLING AND CUTTING HIMSELF WITH SHARP STONES. 6 WHEN JESUS WAS STILL SOME DISTANCE AWAY, THE MAN SAW HIM, RAN TO MEET HIM, AND BOWED LOW BEFORE HIM. 7 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!" 8 FOR JESUS HAD ALREADY SAID TO THE SPIRIT, "COME OUT OF THE MAN, YOU EVIL SPIRIT." 9 THEN JESUS DEMANDED, "WHAT IS YOUR NAME?" AND HE REPLIED, "MY NAME IS LEGION, BECAUSE THERE ARE MANY OF US INSIDE THIS MAN." 10 THEN THE EVIL SPIRITS BEGGED HIM AGAIN AND AGAIN NOT TO SEND THEM TO SOME DISTANT PLACE. 11 THERE HAPPENED TO BE A LARGE HERD OF PIGS FEEDING ON THE HILLSIDE NEARBY. 12 "SEND US INTO THOSE PIGS," THE SPIRITS BEGGED. "LET US ENTER THEM." 13 SO JESUS GAVE THEM PERMISSION. THE EVIL SPIRITS CAME OUT OF THE MAN AND ENTERED THE PIGS, AND THE ENTIRE HERD OF ABOUT 2,000 PIGS PLUNGED DOWN THE STEEP HILLSIDE INTO THE LAKE AND DROWNED IN THE WATER. 14 THE HERDSMEN FLED TO THE NEARBY TOWN AND THE SURROUNDING COUNTRYSIDE, SPREADING THE NEWS AS THEY RAN. PEOPLE RUSHED OUT TO SEE WHAT HAD HAPPENED. 15 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. 16 THEN

THOSE WHO HAD SEEN WHAT HAPPENED TOLD THE OTHERS ABOUT THE DEMON-POSSESSED MAN AND THE PIGS. 17 AND THE CROWD BEGAN PLEADING WITH JESUS TO GO AWAY AND LEAVE THEM ALONE. 18 AS JESUS WAS GETTING INTO THE BOAT, THE MAN WHO HAD BEEN DEMON POSSESSED BEGGED TO GO WITH HIM. 19 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." 20 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.

NOW ANSWERS SOME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU READ. THERE IS NO RIGHT OR WRONG ANSWER. JUST WRITE WHAT YOU BELIEVE GOD IS SPEAKING TO YOU.

AFTER JESUS HEALED THE DEMON POSSESSED MAN, THE PEOPLE OF THE TOWN ASKED JESUS TO GO AWAY BECAUSE THEY WERE AFRAID. WHY DO YOU THINK THEY WERE AFRAID? WHY WOULD THEY ASK JESUS TO LEAVE IF HE WAS HEALING PEOPLE? \_\_\_\_\_

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AFTER THE DEMON POSSESSED MAN WAS HEALED, HE STARTED SHARING WITH PEOPLE RIGHT AWAY ABOUT WHAT GOD HAD DONE IN HIS LIFE. THE BIBLE SAYS THAT PEOPLE WERE AMAZED AT HIS TESTIMONY. WHAT DO YOU THINK TESTIMONIES ARE SO POWERFUL? \_\_\_\_\_

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