



The Forgotten Jesus Podcast Discussion Guide

Season 4, Episode 19

Casting Out Demons, The Second Messianic Miracle

Today, we're examining the encounter of Jesus with a demon-possessed man who was both blind and mute. There's more to this story in Matthew 12 than just miraculous healing.

Introduction

Recap: Last week on *The Forgotten Jesus Podcast*, we looked at the story of the healing of a man with leprosy and the question, "Why did Jesus tell some people to share what He had done and tell others not to share?"

Take a few minutes to discuss this week's episode and what stuck out to everyone.

Discussion

Have someone read aloud [Mark 5:1-13](#)

1. How does the context of the question of the disciples in [Mark 4:41](#) impact the reading of Mark 5?
2. What is the difference between believing and following Jesus?

Have someone read aloud [Matthew 12:22-24](#)

3. What is the significance of the crowd's question?
4. Why do you think the Pharisees did not believe in Jesus even after this and other Messianic miracles?

Application:

Take some time to apply what you have discussed.



“A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher... You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God: or else a madman or something worse. You can shut Him up for a fool, you can spit at Him and kill Him as a demon, or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God.” C.S. Lewis

1. Why do you think so many people believe that Jesus was just a good man, and why is that not a logical response to Jesus?
2. What would you say to someone who claims to believe Jesus was a real man (good teacher) but not the Son of God?
3. Who is someone you know who needs to hear the Gospel or hear the Gospel again?

For next week: How many times do the demons beg in Mark 5, and what is the one request Jesus does not grant?

Pray

Share prayer requests and pray as a group at the end of your conversation. Here is a prompt:

Pray for the furthering of the Gospel in our community, country, and around the world.

The Forgotten Jesus Podcast Resources

Catch up on Seasons 1 - 3 and find out more about *The Forgotten Jesus Podcast*, including show notes, on *The Forgotten Jesus Podcast* [webpage](#).

Harmony of the Gospels

CSB Harmony of the Gospels is a synchronized reading of the Gospels based on the work of John A. Broadus and A.T. Robertson, with each Gospel writer's account of events side-by-side.

