

# Salvation is Here

Read the Whole Text: Mark 5

## Core Verses: Mark 5:24-34

A large crowd followed and pressed around him. <sup>25</sup> And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. <sup>26</sup> She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. <sup>27</sup> When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, <sup>28</sup> because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed." <sup>29</sup> Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering.

<sup>30</sup> At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?"

<sup>31</sup> "You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?'"

<sup>32</sup> But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it.

<sup>33</sup> Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. <sup>34</sup> He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."



## Gospel of Mark

**Genre: Greco-Roman**  
**"Gospel" narrative**

Description of a person through their deeds and words, detailing their death as the final revelation of their character

### **Context**

1<sup>st</sup> century Jewish/Roman world

### **Author**

Strong early tradition that the author is John Mark writing in Rome around 55-65 AD. Mark is writing what he heard from Peter about the life of Jesus

## **Additional Resources**

Watch:

"Mark" from the Bible Project

Or

Podcast: "What does the word "Gospel" mean from the Bible Project

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### March Memory Verse:

“The time has come. The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!”-Mark 1:15



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### **Questions for Reflection During the Week**

Read the selected text above from Mark 5 three times:

What do you notice in the text above?

Are there key words? Who are the main characters?

What do the characters do?

What do you learn about God from this text?

What do you learn about humans?

### **Space for Sunday Notes:**

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### **Digging Deeper**

Try “Imaginative Prayer”

Try reading Mark 5 accompany Jesus through his life by imagining scenes from the Gospel stories. Let the events of Jesus' life be present to you right now. Visualize the event as if you were making a movie. Pay attention to the details: sights, sounds, tastes, smells, and feelings of the event. Lose yourself in the story; don't worry if your imagination is running too wild. At some point, place yourself in the scene.

Contemplating a Gospel scene is not simply remembering it or going back in time. Through the act of contemplation, the Holy Spirit makes present a mystery of Jesus' life in a way that is meaningful for you now. Use your imagination to dig deeper into the story so that God may communicate with you in a personal, evocative way