

LEARNER TAKE-HOME SHEET: GERASENE DEMONIAIC

Matthew 8:28-34; Mark 5:1-20; Luke 8:26-39



KEY WORDS

Keep a family white board someplace near the dinner table, and write these words on it. Try writing a family definition for each one during the week.

SUFFERING

HEALING

EVANGELISM

EVIL



Take this sheet home and keep it someplace near the dinner table like on the fridge. At least three times next week at dinner, use Prayer Time and one other family activity to make your confirmation learning come alive!

PRAYER TIME

Use crayons and markers to draw pictures of your prayer concerns: people, situations at work or school, national or world issues, and so forth. Talk a bit about the pictures and what they represent. In silence, trade pictures and take turns lifting up the prayer concerns to God by holding the pictures in the air. When everyone is done, the whole family shouts "Amen!"

TALK TIME

- Share with each other something that God has done for you this week. Discuss ways in which you share your faith with your friends and/or co-workers through your words and deeds.
- What are the blessings we have been given? In what concrete ways can we share our blessings with our neighbors, friends, family? Set a specific date and time to share your blessings.
- Use a newspaper to locate examples of suffering in your community or city. What are they? For each day of the week write one concern on your calendar and pray for that situation on that day.
- Fill in the blank: Jesus is _____. Discuss with family members who Jesus is for you and how you have felt his presence in your life. How do you celebrate Jesus' death and resurrection in your life?

WEB TIME

Do an Internet search for "God's blessings" and glance at the first five Web sites. What do they say about God's blessings and how human beings receive God's blessings? What blessings have you been given? Do you think you have earned these blessings?

RITUAL TIME

On index cards write a two- or three-line prayer for each member of your family. You might include thankfulness for something she or he has done for you, help for a struggle, and blessing for the future. Hide the prayers in places where everyone will find them later in the week.