



Group Leader Guide & Discussion Questions

Patrick Garcia - Our Next Guest

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We come together as a Group with the goal of Spiritual Formation; encouraging one another to become the same kind of person that Jesus is, so that we can live out every part of our lives inside of His Kingdom.

// Message Summary

Patrick Garcia, the lead pastor at The Hills Church in Evansville, Indiana, joins us this week! Using the story of Legion found in Mark 5, he will teach about how Jesus meets us where we are at to overcome our shame and brokenness.

// Patrick Garcia

As mentioned above, Patrick is the lead pastor at a church in Evansville, Indiana called The Hills. He grew up in Kentucky with the Burgens and has been following Flatirons for years.

// Biblical Context

Mark 5:1-20

In the story, the demon-possessed man is said to be living in a cemetery. This is significant because Jewish people believed that any dealing with or being around dead things caused

you to be “unclean,” or unfit to socialize with others or properly worship God. The fact that Jesus lets him approach Him is significant in this regard. Furthermore, it is mentioned that this man cut himself, which is reminiscent of certain pagan worship practices. Pigs were also viewed as “unclean,” and his proximity to them just solidifies this man’s unclean nature. However, Jesus meets him where he is at and heals him, despite the cultural implications.



// Discussion Questions

1. Do you have any tattoos that you regret getting?
2. Where in your life do you isolate, hiding from others and from God?
3. What lies are you believing about yourself that you know are different than what God says about you?
4. Where do you see how God has brought you in to send you out?
5. How can (or has) God use(d) your past brokenness to bring others closer to Him?