

May 12/24 – Small Group Questions - Luke 8:26-39 “Freedom from Evil”

Read Luke 8:26-39

1. In his preface to *Screwtape Letters* C.S. Lewis writes – There are two equal and opposite errors when it comes to the devils. The first is to disbelieve in their existence. The second is to believe and to have an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. Discuss.
2. What impact does the demonic have on the man? What do you discern is their ultimate goal?

Read Acts 16:16-19

3. In the Luke passage we see the city dwellers seeking to manage the demonic on their own. In the Acts passage we see the citizens using the demonic for their benefit. What are some of the ways we may seek to either manage the demonic on our own, or utilize them for our benefit?
4. How is victory over the demonic achieved?
5. In the west we have filtered out of our good news proclamation any mention of an enemy – any mention of the demonic. Why have we done this? What is the cost of doing so?