

Praxis Finds Himself

Key Word: Legion

Key Verse: Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. *Luke 8:30*

Praxis had a problem. It wasn't a problem shared by any of the other pixies; it was his alone. From time to time, Praxis would change color according to his moods. It was very uncomfortable when everybody knew exactly what he was feeling because of the color of his pixie skin. Praxis decided to pretend. The very next time he felt sad, he pretended to himself that he was happy. To his delight, the blue color began to fade, and was gradually replaced by pink.

But after a while, Praxis began to notice that he felt sad much more often, and it was tough trying to hide all that blue. And he discovered he was feeling angry much more often, and it wasn't easy hiding his anger.

One day a very old, very wise pixie from far away came to stay in the King's toadstool. Everyone wanted to see the wise old pixie, because he was a healer. And they whispered to each other that the wise pixie had a color.

Praxis was astonished. He'd thought he was the only pixie in the whole world to have colors. Now, there was someone else!

Praxis resolved to see the wise old pixie for himself. But he was very disappointed, for the wise old pixie was pure white.

Praxis worked hard at hiding his colors, but he was so confused and bewildered that all the colors began to peep through, however hard he tried to conceal them.

The old pixie smiled at him very gently, and Praxis saw love in the old pixie's eyes. "I've learned to accept myself, even when I'm colored. And when I'm white, people who come to speak with me are healed, because I'm really myself with nothing to hide my true feelings. One day, you'll be a great healer too, Praxis."

And Praxis knew he was right. Suddenly he knew he must spend the rest of his life trying not to be less himself, but more himself. Praxis went away from the wise old pixie so happy that he was bright, shocking pink for three whole days.

Questions

When did Legion, the man hiding among the tombs, become himself?

In the story, why did Praxis decide to be more himself?

What have you to do with me Jesus, son of the most high God?

Cryptogram

Word Find

L V D B T F O J K G C I D R Y
 Z H E M E U D E X T U O H S W O
 T W L G D C R E M O O P Y R J C
 K D A M L / A O S N O M I H R O
 R G E X S R N U U A N N B O T
 H O H E L R N S N O B S S C W
 V H N O N O E I T R D C Q C
 E E M B N D J R R R B J A K J
 S N N G D B L B B X X Y V A J
 P D E W F R A A U O E L L Z Z
 I L N G N N V A G G B Z B L L J
 R U U N O P U U B B X X W S G
 L I U W K B R T I S H K Z G O K
 U X S C J B V O F Z Z T C G W
 O Q A R X L L X B X R V N U F

Answers



Gospel Grams

Today's Gospel Story
 is from
Luke 8:26-39

Draw Picture

Draw a picture of how Jesus helped Legion in the Gospel lesson for today. If you need help with your drawing, read Luke 8:26-39.

Cryptogram

Below is a verse from today's Gospel story, Luke 8:26-39. Each letter is substituted for another. Use the letter patterns and trial and error to help you figure out this puzzle. Can you decipher this message? Four of the letters are already done for you.

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z
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H _ _ H _ E _ _ D _ _
 T A H G A H W Y O I S _ G I _ J I _
 _ _ H _ E _ E _ _ , _ _ _ _ _
 T F G A D Y E Y C S C _ C I P _ I Z
 _ _ H E _ _ H _ H _ D ?
 G A Y D I C G A F B A B I J

Word Find

Find the words from today's Gospel story. Words go forward, backward, up, down, or diagonally. One has been done for you.

Words to find:

- BOAT
- BONDS
- COUNTRY
- DEMONS
- DROWNED
- FEAR
- GALILEE
- GERASENES
- GUARD
- HEALED
- HIGH
- HILLSIDE
- HOME
- HOUSE
- JESUS
- LEGION
- SHOUTED
- SPIRIT
- SWINE
- TOMBS

L V D B T F D I G K G J D R Y
 Z H E M E U D E T U O H S W O
 T W L G D C R E M O H Y R J C
 K D A M I A O S N O M I H R O
 R G E X S R W U U H N B B O T
 H O H E L L R N S N Q B S S C W
 V H N N G L O E E I T R D C Q C
 E E M B I I J D J R T R J A K J
 S N N G H H L B B A X Y I A J
 P D E O W F R A U O E F L Z Z
 I L N Q M N V G G B Z F V L J
 R U I O P U O U B B X J W S G
 I U W K B R T I S H K Z G O K
 T X S C J B V O F Z Z T C G W
 O Q A R X L L X B X R V N U F