



# VOICES

LEARNING FROM OTHERS

SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDES

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Jesse Bradley shared how God changes us so that we are able to sing a new song. God's grace and love is meant to transform us so that it will flow through us. The deeper it goes the wider his love will flow from our lives into the lives of others. We are changed by God, then sent to share what God has done with others.

He took us through the story of the demoniac who was demonized by a legion of demons. **Legion** is a Roman military term for the largest military unit that is made up of 3000-5000 soldiers. Jesus set the man free and sent the demons into a herd of 2000 pigs who were all drowned. Unfortunately, the people requested Jesus to leave the region as a result. They loved their pigs more than money. The man, however, was forever changed. He wanted to go with Jesus, but Jesus commanded him to go back to his family and friends and tell them what Jesus had done. Jesus also commanded him to share the good news in the Decapolis.

The man was changed by Jesus and had a new song to sing. Jesus took the most unlikely of people to be changed and then spread the good news about Jesus. He can change anyone. As he does, he calls us to share the good news of what he has done. He saves us and sets us free to sing a new song about Jesus?

## DISCOVER

Read Psalm 96:1-3; Mark 5:1-20

In reading these passages what do you discover about:

1. What God is like through what he does?
2. How does that affect how we see ourselves?
3. What are the ways we can and should respond to Jesus in light these truths?

## NURTURE

- 1.How are you like the people in the story and how are you like the demoniac?
- 2.How have you responded to the person and work of Jesus recently?
- 3.Where do you need Jesus to give you a new song to sing?

## ACT

- 1.What new songs can you sing in light of what God has done personally?
- 2.How might we collectively practice "singing a new song" in our times together?
- 3.Who do we presently know that needs to hear us share what Jesus has done in our lives? Take some time to pray for those people and yourselves to take next steps toward them.