

From The Sermons Of WILLIAM MARRION BRANHAM



## Temper breeds temper



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146 And you find yourself in love with your enemies. Somebody say, "Well, he's nothing but a holy-roller." And you start to get...Ah! Be careful. Be careful. But when you really find, yourself, that you love him! Regardless of what they do, you still love them. See?

147 Then you beginning to find, and your patience gets from about *that* long, till it just don't have no end. Anybody just keeps saying things about

you, "Well, I don't care what you say!" Don't get stirred up. If you get stirred up, you better go pray first, 'fore you talk to them again. Yeah. Yeah.

Don't get in fusses. Don't like to get in fuss; if you like to see somebody raise up in church, say, "You know what? I'll tell you, *So-and-so* did *so-and-so*."

You say, "Now, brother, shame on you."

148 If you say, "Oh, is that so?" Listen to that scandal? Watch out.

The Holy Spirit is not a cesspool. See? No, no. No, no. The heart is occupied by the Holy Spirit, is full of holiness, purity. "Thinketh no evil, doeth no evil; believeth all things; endureth, longsuffering." See?

149 Don't fuss. When the family gets in a fuss, don't fuss with them. Your mother said, "I ain't having you go up

there, that old church, anymore. Well, you, all you think about now, you're letting your hair grow out. You look like some old grandma." Don't fuss with her.

Say, "Okay, mother. It's all right. I love you, just the same. And I'll be praying for you as long as I live." See?

150 Now, don't fuss. See? Temper breeds temper. First thing you know, you grieve the Holy Spirit away from you, you'll be fussing back. Then

the Holy Spirit takes Its flight. Temper breeds temper.

And love breeds love. Be full of love. Jesus said, "This will all men know you're My disciples, when you have love, one for another." That's the fruit of the Holy Spirit, love.

are a little creator, yourself? You know that? Certainly. You've seen people that you just love to be around. You don't know why. Just that loving type of

person. Have you seen that? [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] Just as kind, there, you like to be around them. That's...They create that atmosphere, by the life they live, the way they talk, their conversation.

Then, you've seen those that, every time, you—you shun them. All time, they want to talk about something evil, and talk about somebody. Say, "Oh, my! There they come. They're

going to criticize somebody there. He's in here now, he's going to talk about *this* man. All they're going to do is tell dirty jokes, or something about women, or something like that." You just hate to get around them. See? They create. Seemingly, pretty nice people, but they create that atmosphere.

And the things that you think on, the things that you do, the actions, the things you

talk about, creates an atmosphere.

152 I went into a man's office, here in this city. And the man is a trustee, or a deacon, it is, in a fine church. I went in there to see that man about some business. And there's a radio over there, with that rock-and-roll or twist, ever what it was, just as hard as it could go. And I guess there was forty pinups in his office, of nude women. Now, you can't tell me how much

deacon, or how much more. You let me see what you look at, and what you read, and the kind of music you listen to, the crowd you associate with, and I'll tell you what kind of a spirit is in you. See? Yeah.

153 You hear a guy say, "Me do so-and-so? That bunch ..." Just remember, I don't care what he says. His words speaks louder. His actions speaks louder than what anything could say. He

could testify, say he's a Christian, sure, and maybe do anything. But you just watch the kind of a life he lives. That tells what he is.

63-0630E - Is Your Life Worthy
Of The Gospel?
Rev. William Marrion Branham



And I Said, "I Could Never Be A Christian." But Let Me Tell You, That Night Down Yonder On Ohio Avenue When The Holy Spirit Came Into Me, That Settled The Temper. That Was Over



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69 Now, these evil spirits deceive people. And of them spirits, many times are very religious. Now you say, "You mean, religious?" Yes, sir! Even teach the Scriptures, the Bible. They sure do.

70 Now notice! Jesus came to a bunch of man that was holy priests; and they kept the laws to the letter; and they were very, very religious. And Jesus—John called them, said, "You generation of vipers (that's snakes), who's

warned you to flee from the wrath to come?" When Jesus saw them, He said, "You are of your father the devil." That was God saying that. Just as religious as they could be.

71 Remember, when—the devil takes his man, but never his spirit. God takes His man but never His Spirit. See? The Holy Spirit comes into your life and sanctifies your spirit, lives through you, and gives you power to live. But when—when your spirit goes on, your

spirit is kept with God; but the Holy Spirit was on you comes on somebody else, and somebody else, and somebody...

72 This Spirit that was upon Elijah come upon Elisha, a double portion of It; seven hundred years later or eight hundred years later come upon John the Baptist, made him act...Look how Elijah, look how Elijah was: big old hairy man, whiskers all over him; sheepskin, looked like a

fuzzy worm, his face out like that, stomping down through there with a big piece of leather around, his girdles like—girdles around his loins, like this. If you would have...If he would have walked up to your house you'd say, "Ooo, my! Call the police right quick. Such a fellow standing in front of my door." But that was a prophet of the Lord. Sure was! And then, when he died, a double portion of his Spirit come upon Elijah; and then

eight hundred years later come upon John the Baptist and made John act just exactly like they did, because It was the spirit of Elijah.

73 Now, if the spirit of Elijah upon John would make John act like Elijah, the Spirit of God upon you will make you act like Jesus. Now, there's where you find the Holy Spirit. See? That's what the Holy Spirit does. It makes you meek, makes you humble, makes you forgiving.

74 Could they pull whiskers from your face, if you had them there, jerk them out and spit in your face, when you had the power to call alegions of Angels? Could you do that for the love of the people that was spitting in your face? Could you do it? If somebody just walked up to you and said, "Hey, you hypocrite!" and smacked you on one side of face, could you pray for their forgiveness? Now, that's where trust—test

whether you got the Holy Spirit or not. See? When somebody says something evil against someone, sometimes that claims to have the Holy Spirit, "I'll get even with her if it takes me my last day." See? Now, there's where you check about your Holy Spirit. See? "Blessed are you when man shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for My Name's sake." But you go get even with them? No! "Rejoice and be

exceedingly glad, for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you." See?

75 When someone says evil about you, say something good. If you can't say something good about them, then don't say nothing. Just let it go. See? And then, when you get to yourself, pray for them.

76 If there's one thing in my life that's helped me to understand that the Holy Spirit came into me down there that

day, has been that. I was hotheaded, fiery, Irish on both sides. And I always could never eat hardly at all, my mouth was always mashed where somebody mashed it, jumping up where I shouldn't jump up. I've got some of my teeth broke out now and filled where I—I spoke where I oughtn't to have spoke (you see?) and said things...Always in trouble. And I said...Somebody said to me, my teacher at school, she

said...I said, "Lady, I—I—I can't help it." See, I'd get in trouble all the time. And I said, "I can't help it." Poor old Mother Temple, she just went to Glory the other day.

And she said, "Well, look Honey." She got me upon her lap, and she pulled me up in her arms and started crying. First time I had ever had love like that from somebody, an old woman. She just cried over the top of me. She said, "Billy, I am going to do

something for you, Honey; I'm going to give you a little piece of string." And said, "If any of the boys jumps on you..."

77 Called me "corncracker," 'cause I was from Kentucky, you know, andand...I was-I really was terribly dressed. And they'd make fun of my hair, hanging pretty near as long as it is now, and all down over my face. And I was just having an awful time, you know. Andand they would beat me

around and slap me. Anytime anybody gets their temper up, they'd walk around, and just get ahold of me, and slap me down. And here I'd come. See? And a—so then—and a fight. And we got—we got even, I even had knife fights and everything else.

78 And took a Winchester rifle and tried to shoot it, pump it right into four or five boys, from beat me till I couldn't hardly stand up. Would've killed every one of them if it

hadn't been for God. Picked up the shells off of the ground, put them back in the gun; they was just shooting as good as they ever did. See? I'd been a murderer of five man, probably, or five boys.

79 Was only about twelve years old, high tempered! And teacher said, "You take this little string, Billy, and whenever you get mad, you just stop and tie nine knots in that string." Said, "When you do that, then you bring the

string to me. I'll bet your temper will be over."

80 I said, "Mrs. Whalen, I sure think you're so nice." I said, "I—I'm going to try it." See? (Or Mrs. Temple; I'm saying Mrs. Whalen. I said Mrs...Mr. Whalen was a teacher up here once.) So I—I put the string in my pocket. And I hadn't been out in the yard five minutes somebody popped me one. Well, I went—started on them, you know. I reached down

and grabbed my string; and I started to tie one knot; I throwed the string down, and away I went. See? I just couldn't do it. See?

81 And I said, "I could never be a Christian." But let me tell you, that night down yonder on Ohio Avenue when the Holy Spirit came into me, that settled the temper. That was over. I said, "I could never do it. I could never be a Christian, 'cause I'd never get over that," I said, "something

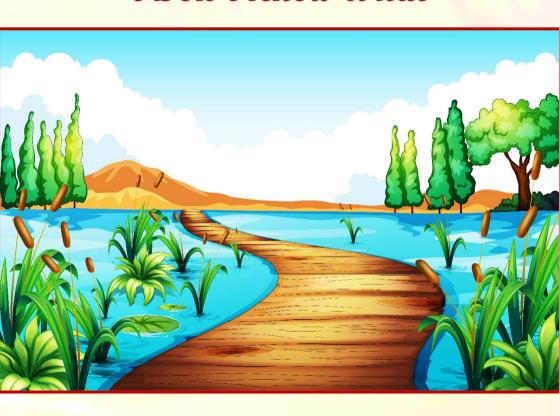
that's borned in me." I said, "Boy, my daddy was hotheaded; and—and mother, half Indian, enough temper to fight a buzz saw." I said, "Me? Oh, I...Boy, anybody that jumps on me is going to get it; that's all." I said, "If I have to climb up on a step ladder to hit them," I said, "I'll sure do it." See?

82 But now, you could drag me out there and wallop me and...See? Why? Not me! What am I trying to make a point here? Something happened. That old power, that old William Branham died, and Someone else come in. [Blank spot on tape—Ed.] And It makes me feel sorry for my enemy. When anyone does anything wrong to me, I never pray against them, I pray for them. And that's where the Holy Spirit give that test the other night in New England, before this happened down here. When that—when He gave power,

said, "Just speak what you will to them people." The way they had done...And I looked down there, and I said, "I forgive you." That's exactly what He wanted. See? Forgive your enemies. See? These are the spirits that make you evil. Watch them spirits.

59-1223 - Questions And
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l've Seen Men And Women Dance In The Spirit, And Speak With Tongues, And Shout, That Had A Temper Like I Don't Know What



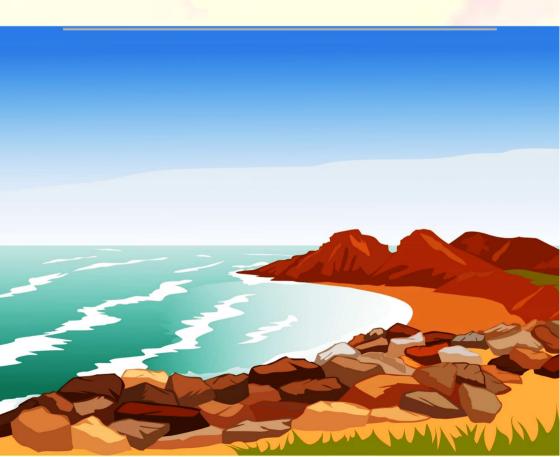
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118 And the people has been telling us, that, "You have to shout, to get in here. You have to speak with tongues, to get in here. You have to do all these things." But we find out that those things don't work.

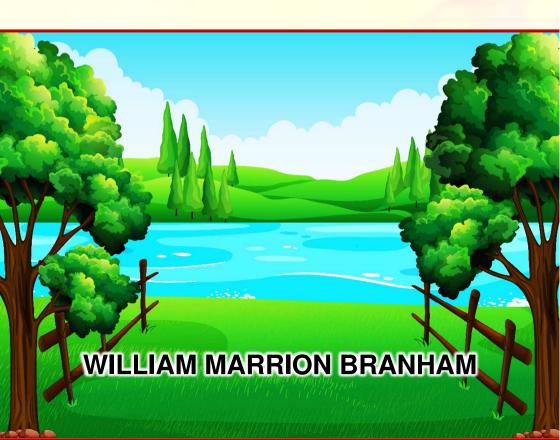
119 I've seen people that shout, that wasn't...I don't hardly think...I have no way of judging; I shouldn't. I've seen people that shouted, that lived any kind of a life. I've seen people dance in the Spirit, up-

and-down the hall, and come back out and living horrible. I've seen both men and women do that. I've seen men and women dance in the Spirit, and speak with tongues, and shout, that had a temper like I don't know what. There is something wrong. And yet, they enjoy the blessings of God. They believe in it. They have faith in it. But it's only in this outer court. It never has come to the inner court. They've never got from here, down here. That's what's the matter with the—the churches today.

56-0101 - Why Are People So Tossed About? Rev. William Marrion Branham



Sometimes We Go Off On A Tantrum Somewhere And Not Think About God, Not Pray Over It, Ask The Lord Whether We Should Do It Or Not, And We Find Out That Our Supply Of Blessings Is Cut Off



9 Now, during this time this fine man, because that he had looked over and seen the—a bright side there, before considering God, he joined himself with this unbeliever. And I'm—had time to dwell on this tonight... A many good Christian heart has done the same thing when they built a new church in the community, that outshined the old country church, a little, you used to go to. And perhaps, you thought a little better class of people

went down there, and left the old fashion church that you once belonged to, went down and joined yourself up with that. You get into the same trouble that this Jehoshaphat did.

Anyhow, they united their forces together. And watch when a believer gets out of contact with his Maker. They fixed up their compass for seven days and went out into the wilderness, taking the King of Edom with them to

meet this great company of the Moabites out there.

10 Now, they went off in such a hurry, without even considering God. And when they found out the seven days was up, well, their water supply was cut off. They didn't have any water to drink. And there they was out there with their cattle, and with their animals, and their water supply was cut off. And looks like that it was just about the end for them.

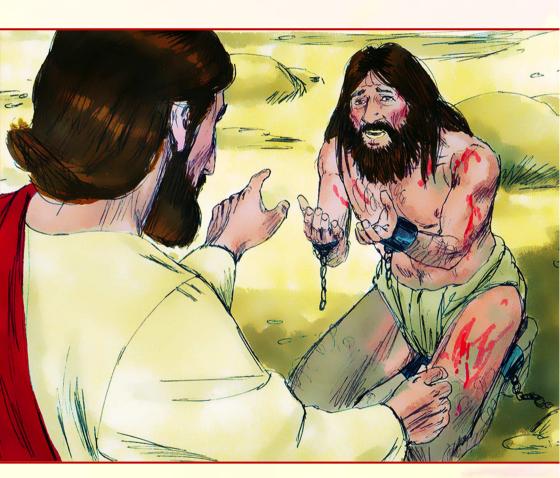
Now, that's what we do. Sometimes we go off on a tantrum somewhere and not think about God, not pray over it, ask the Lord whether we should do it or not, and we find out that our supply of blessings is cut off. Then we wonder sometime, "Well, wonder why I can't have no more blessings." You don't watch, you let down in your prayer life. You say, "Well, I'm a Christian." Well, that's the more sign you should pray,

more than ever. Read the Bible every day. Pray every day. Don't make decisions too harshly or too quickly, without first considering God about it. Ask Him, "Shall I do this, Father?" Ask Him, "Is it Your will for me to do this?" Then see what the Holy Spirit will speak to you. He might not give you a vision, but He will speak in some way to you, to let you know, if you'll be sincere and ask Him.

## 54-0723 - The Prophet Elisha Rev. William Marrion Branham



## When You Find Jesus, You'll Never Be The Same



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I can see Legion after he got his right mind. He got healed. I can see after he keeps waving to Jesus, the devils, them people come down and said, "We don't want you around here; we want the hogs. We'd rather have our hogs. We don't want no such a revival as that, all this here nonsense, Divine healing. We know the days of miracles is past. That man's only worked up. Now, get out of our land. We don't want

that holy-roller stuff started over here."

100 Jesus won't stay; don't worry. Where He's not welcome He won't stay. He just turned His head and walked right on down to the ship, never said a word to them. Got... Old Legion said, "Oh, hallelujah, praise the Lord. O Jesus, let me go with You. Oh, I want to go with You. I don't care what this bunch of nonsense said, I don't care. I've left every fetter behind; let me follow You. I've found something. Let me go with You."

Jesus turned around and said, "Go, tell your parents now what's happened to you." My. "Go, give a testimony."

I just wonder what he said to them hog raisers when he got back. He kept waving as long as he could see that little old ship, till it went out of sight. Said, "Someday, I'll see Him again."

101 I can see him go down the street. Some of them say, "Well, who's that old guy going there?"

Said, "Glory, hallelujah."

They said, "That guy's still crazy. There he goes."

Went down the street, "Oh, hallelujah, praise the Lord."

Well, they said, "There's one thing about it: he's got some clothes on. Something surely has happened to him."

102 I can see him go down, and here's the story. I can see him look around. "Well, the landlord had done put his wife out. There's was no... Poor little thing, she prayed all the time, maybe, for him to be healed. Come back, his little children, when they'd see him coming they'd run and hide and everything. His poor little wife would have to get out of the way, 'cause he's bad. He come in, he tore up the place.

That's the way a drunkard does, or demon possessed: run into one of these temper fits and kick everything around the house. You ought to be ashamed of yourself, that even belong to church and maybe on the deacon board. Brother, I wished I had a little bigger audience this afternoon of some of them. That's right. Yeah, belong to the deacon board and act like that.

Here he comes in the... Though he comes down, slips down, the house is closed. Where's wife? He goes out and asks someone on the street, said, "She had to move down there in the alley."

103 I can see him go down there to a bunch of old tin cans and things, piled up and look around there and a little old shack with some bushes laying up together, and there she is in the back yard, a rubbing on a washboard, maybe taking in the neighbors washing. The little children

holler, "Mommy, mommy, there he comes, there he comes, there he comes." And they start to run like that, hard as they can run.

I can hear him say, "Wait a minute, sweetheart."

His wife say, "Oh, oh, oh."

And say, "Wait a minute, sweetheart, don't run. Something's happened." Amen.

104 I can see him walk in and look at tattered sleeve of his little old wife's dress. Look at his poor little children

standing there trembling, put his arm around them. And I can hear one little boy say to the next little—little girl, say, "What's happened to daddy?" Say, "Mother, mother, what's—what's happened to daddy?"

I can see the tears running down his cheeks. Put his arms around mother, and around the little kiddies, pick them up, said, "Now, wait a minute. I'm going to tell you what's happened to daddy. Daddy

come in contact with Jesus. That's what's the matter. Daddy found Jesus."

And as it did for Legion that day, it'll do for daddy and mother both today. When you find Jesus, you'll never be the same. Legion could never be the same. No man could ever be the same, after once finding Jesus. Shall we pray.

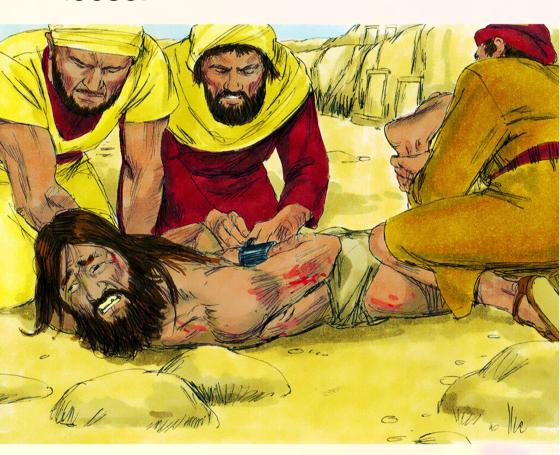
54-0720A - The Maniac Of Gadara Rev. William Marrion Branham You ever see one of them having a temper fit, you say, "Uh huh, l know what happened in Gadara now." See? That's just exactly. Just a few more come in there, run him completely insane; 'cause the medical doctor will tell you that temper is the first stage of insanity.



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83 Here come somebody by. He was up there in a tomb. Somebody come by, he'd run out and overcome them, the Bible said. No one—he was so dangerous till nobody could pass that way. But one day there was a stronger Power passed. He was possessed with hatred, malice, devil, legion of them walking around, big fellow. They'd go out there, and take an army, put him in chains;

and he'd break the chains loose.

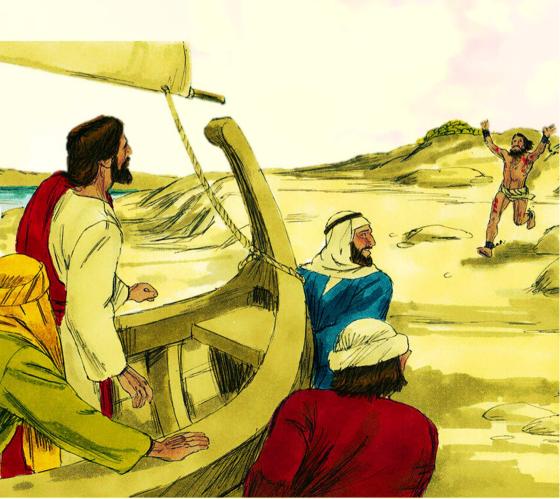


And the devil was in him. There he was. He was

something. He'd been a—he'd been a real idol for the Jeffersonville High School. Sure would! There he was, all this big...Or some of these teen-agers, you know, "Oh, he's real man."



I've seen man that weighed two hundred pounds didn't have a ounce of man in them. That's not man, that's brute. See?



84 But there was a little bitty, stoop-shouldered fellow come down the road one day, kinda bent down (the Bible said there was no beauty we should desire Him, thirty years old and pass for fifty), walking down the road one day. And he run out to meet Him. Said, "I'll just take that little fellow and wind him around." But, oh my, when he met that One, he fell at His feet. Them devils so possessed him...Now look. That day...He was so possessed with the devil...

85 Now this, I want to put this in to—for you. He was that man was so completely yielded to the devil, till the devil used his tongue to talk. Now, you can be completely yielded to God till God can use your tongue to talk. That's right! That's what I claim. Any sermon that I ever preached that had any meaning to it, is when I got yielded, got William Branham

out of the way, and Christ could take in and start talking. See? And He can speak in language.



86 Now notice. He was so possessed of that evil spirit, and that spirit had him so close till...Them demons knowed their time had come, because they had met love. See? And they said, "We'll try him." And all...Now, notice what taken place. He said, "Why, we know who you are. Why you in that little bitty body like this, little frail-looking fella?" Said, "Why are you coming like that?" Said, "We know who you are. You're the

holy one of Israel, and why do you...?" (Now watch! If you don't believe that there's a future torment for devils, listen to these confess it.) "Why comest thou to torment us before the time comes?" They know there's a future torment. "Why comest thou to torment us before the time comes?" See?

And Jesus said, "What's your name?" He knowed; He wanted them to confess it.

Said, "We're Legion, for there's many of us." He said, "If you're going to cast us out of this man..."

87 Look, a little frail fellow like Jesus standing there (see?), and a man that could whip almost an army; chains couldn't even hold him. See, it isn't physical strength. That isn't what counts. It's the power of the Holy Spirit that's in your life that counts. See?

88 He said, "Don't torment us before the time comes; but

if you'll cast us out...(Look at the meaness of them, the wickedness.) If you are going to cast us out, don't let us just go free out into the world, 'cause hard tell where we'll get into somebody else. If you'll cast us out...We want to be in somebody; we want to do something; we want to do some more meanness." That's the devil. "I'll get back with him. Hmm!" See? That's the devil. "I'll get even with him." See? Just remember, it's your

brother standing there, but the devil got on him. See? "Let us do something mean. We can make these Gadarenes over here suffer for this," might have said the head, one of them. Said, "Let us go down in that herd of swine."

89 Jesus said, "Take your leave. But come out of him!" Oh, my! Little bitty guy like that speaking to that big legion of devils. "Come out of him! You have your leave." And they got into those hogs,

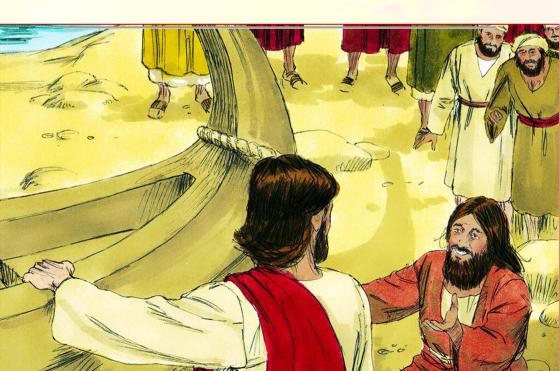
and they had fits, run them hogs into fits. And down the way they went to the river, and drowned in the river, choked themselves in the river. Isn't that right?



90 Now, when they did...Of course the devils went out of them, 'cause it killed the hogs. It just run them into a fit. They had a fit just like anyone. Did you ever see a person have a temper fit? Well, that's just that's just what it is. That's just them devils. That's what happened to them. You ever see one of them having a temper fit, you say, "Uh huh, I know what happened Gadara now." See? That's just exactly. Just a few more come

in there, run him completely insane; 'cause the medical doctor will tell you that temper is the first stage of insanity. That's what Mayo says, the first stage of insanity.

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