

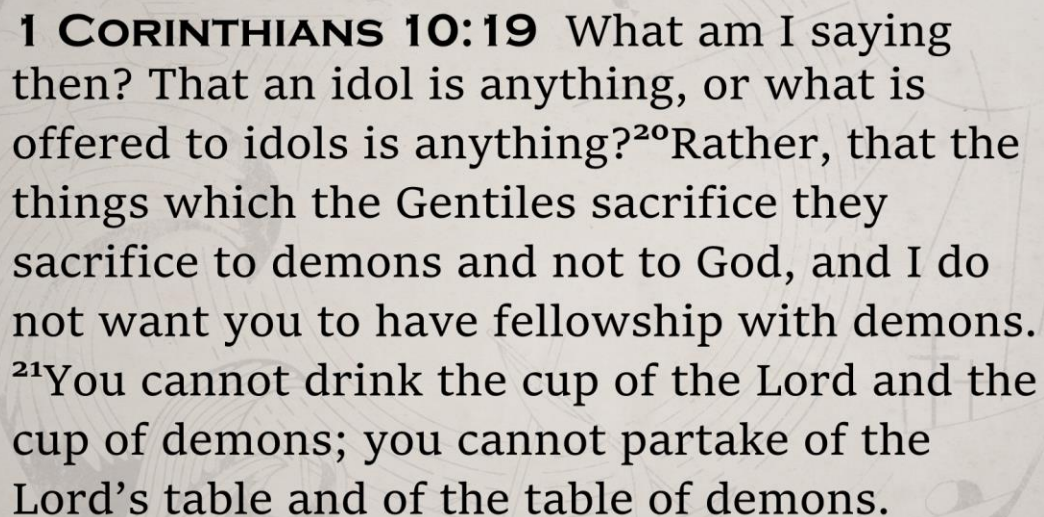


MARK: GOSPEL TRUTH FOR A GROWING CHAOS

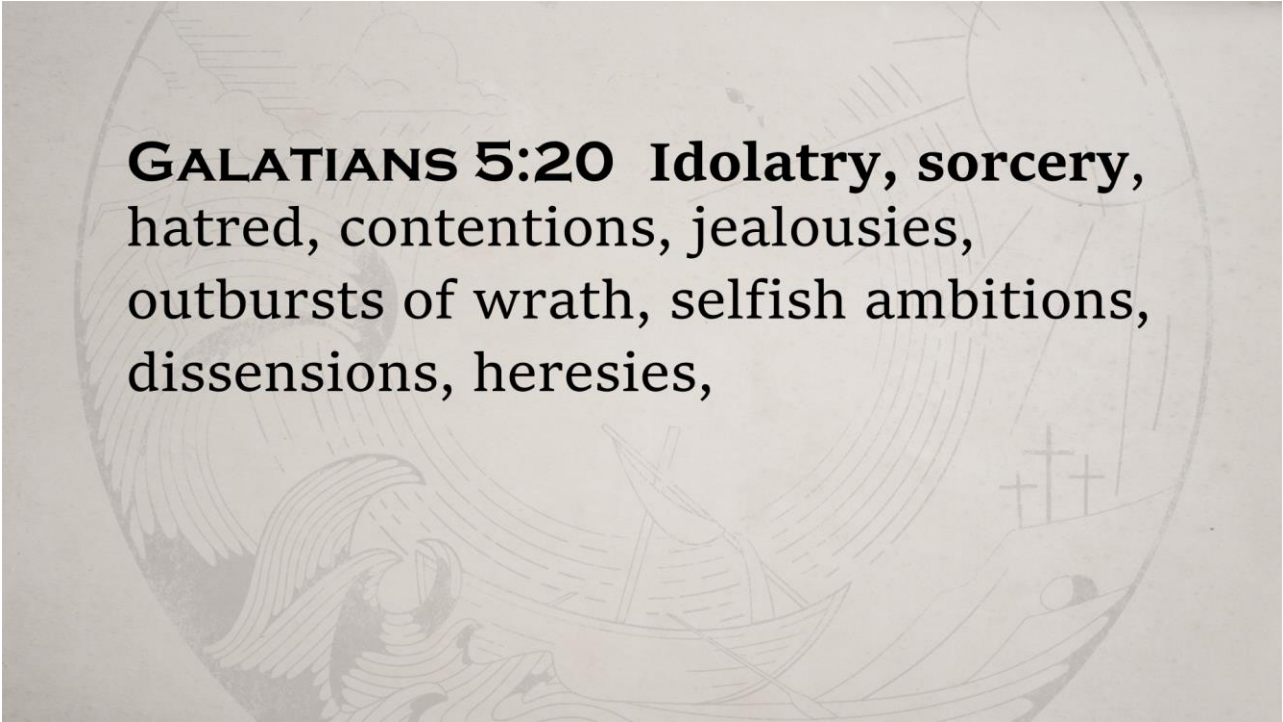
SITTING, CLOTHED, AND IN HIS RIGHT MIND

MARK 5:14 So those who fed the swine fled, and they told it in the city and in the country. And they went out to see what it was that had happened.

¹⁵Then they came to Jesus, **and saw the one who had been demon-possessed and had the legion, sitting and clothed and in his right mind.** And they were afraid.¹⁶And those who saw it told them how it happened to him who had been demon-possessed, and about the swine.¹⁷Then they began to plead with Him to depart from their region.



1 CORINTHIANS 10:19 What am I saying then? That an idol is anything, or what is offered to idols is anything?²⁰ Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons.²¹ You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you cannot partake of the Lord's table and of the table of demons.



GALATIANS 5:20 Idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies,

MARK 5:1 Then they came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gadarenes.²And when He had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit,³who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no one could bind him, not even with chains,⁴because he had often been bound with shackles and chains. And the chains had been pulled apart by him, and the shackles broken in pieces; neither could anyone tame him.⁵And always, night and day, he was in the mountains and in the tombs, crying out and cutting himself with stones.

MARK 5:6 When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and worshiped Him.⁷And he cried out with a loud voice and said, “What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I implore You by God that You do not torment me.”⁸For He said to him, “Come out of the man, unclean spirit!”⁹Then He asked him, “What is your name?” And he answered, saying, “My name is Legion; for we are many.”

REVELATION 20:10 The devil, who deceived them, was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone where the beast and the false prophet are. And they will be tormented day and night **forever and ever**.

MARK 5:15 Then they came to Jesus, and saw the one who had been demon-possessed and had the legion, **sitting and clothed and in his right mind**. And they were afraid.¹⁶And those who saw it told them how it happened to him who had been demon-possessed, and about the swine.¹⁷Then they began to plead with Him to depart from their region.

THE TRUE NATURE OF SIN

MARK 5:12 So all the demons begged Him, saying, “Send us to the swine, that we may enter them.”¹³And at once Jesus gave them permission. Then the unclean spirits went out and entered the swine (there were about two thousand); and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and drowned in the sea.



THE HARDNESS OF HUMAN HEARTS

MARK 5:17 Then they began to plead with Him to depart from their region.



THE REDEMPTIVE POWER OF THE GOSPEL

MARK 5:18 And when He got into the boat, he who had been demon-possessed begged Him that he might be with Him.¹⁹However, Jesus did not permit him, but said to him, “Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you.”²⁰And he departed and began to proclaim in Decapolis all that Jesus had done for him; and all marveled.