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FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

55+ FEAST OF GRATITUDE
SUNDAY, November 9

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CANDY NEEDED!

GROWTH PATH CLASSES
SUNDAY, November 16

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FRIDAY, October 24

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WALKING —with— JESUS

OCTOBER 19, 2025 • ERIC WAYMAN
The Spiritual Battle for Our Mind

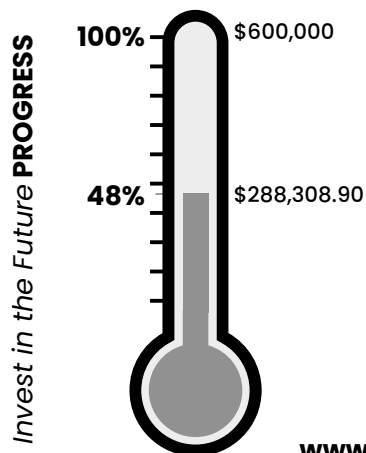
LUKE 8:26-39

Connect with a LIFE GROUP

BROWSE THE GROUPS!
Let's be the Church together!



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- **Our society preaches a gospel of acceptance; Jesus preached a gospel of repentance.**

Open to continue taking notes! →

GROUND RULES BEFORE CONFRONTING SOMEONE:

- 1. Check yourself first.** Jesus said, *"Why do you look at the speck in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the log in your own?"* (Matthew 7:3). Before we confront anyone, first ask: Am I aware of my own blind spots? This doesn't mean you have to be perfect to challenge someone's narrative, but it does mean we should first take a good hard look at ourselves so that we don't show up like arrogant hypocrites.
- 2. Check your heart.** Paul warns that without love, even the best arguments are just noise (1 Corinthians 13:1). If we don't truly love the person we're confronting, our words will land as criticism, not care. If you don't love the person you want to confront, then zip it! It would be better not to say anything than to speak from a posture of contempt or hatred, because those kinds of words are more likely to push them away from, not toward Jesus.
- 3. Pause and pray before you speak.** Lift them up to God first. Ask Him to give you humility, gentleness, and courage and ask the Holy Spirit to guide your conversation.
- 4. Speak truth with Grace.** *"Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect."* (1 Peter 3:15) Just as the man Jesus healed shares his story and points people back to Jesus, be willing to share your story, but do so with humility and respect. Nobody responds well to being shamed. Watch your tone and avoid all name-calling and condemnation. Those are the tactics of the enemy.
- 5. Practice what you preach.** We can't impose our faith on others, but we can propose it, and the most effective way to do that is to live out of the truth of what we say. The world is full of hypocritical people who don't live by their own advice. If you want people to take your words seriously, live them out.

Next Week:
I GIVE YOU AUTHORITY

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For group discussion the week of October 19

This Study Guide is designed to help you apply Sunday's message. Join a Life Group and do this study together!

1. This week's message was about how Jesus meets us where we are but never leaves us there. Can you think of a time when you felt like God met you where you were and began to change your perspective or direction? What did that look like for you?
2. This week's message was *The Spiritual Battle for Our Mind*. Let's read Luke 8:26-39 together. What caught your attention from this passage or from Sunday's message? Was there a thought, phrase, or insight that really stuck with you?
3. Let's read Ephesians 4:22-24. Paul encourages believers to "put off your old self" and "put on the new self." What does "putting off the old self" look like in real life? How have you experienced God reshaping your sense of identity through His truth and grace?
4. We are called to have our minds transformed by God's Word. See Romans 12:2. What is the cost of rejecting the world's values and instead aligning ourselves with God's values expressed in the Bible? How do you express these differences with grace, truth, and love?
5. Let's read John 12:42-43. In this passage, see Pharisees who want to follow Jesus but their identity holds them back from doing so. It's tough to follow Jesus when that means we have to disagree with, or separate from our closest friends, family, or support system to do so. Have you ever had your beliefs stand apart from people you deeply care about? What has that been like for you?
6. If Jesus meets us right where we are but doesn't leave us there, how can we do the same for those we encounter? What specific steps can you take this week to follow the example of Jesus with the people around you? How can you better reflect the truth of who God says you are to be a positive influence?