

The background features a vibrant cosmic scene with blue and purple nebulae and a bright blue light beam shining down from the top center. The word 'FANTASTIC' is rendered in large, bold, white 3D block letters with a blue glow and shadow effect.

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- *conceived ... by an unrestrained imagination; odd and remarkable; bizarre; grotesque*
- *incredibly great; extreme; exorbitant*

²⁶ They sailed to the region of the Gerasenes, which is across the lake from Galilee. ²⁷ When Jesus stepped ashore, he was met by a demon-possessed man from the town. For a long time this man had not worn clothes or lived in a house, but had lived in the tombs. ²⁸ When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell at his feet,

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shouting at the top of his voice, “What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, don’t torture me!” ²⁹ For Jesus had commanded the impure spirit to come out of the man. Many times it had seized him, and though he was chained hand and foot and kept under guard,

he had broken his chains and had been driven by the demon into solitary places.

³⁰ Jesus asked him, “What is your name?”

“Legion,” he replied, because many demons had gone into him. ³¹ And they begged Jesus repeatedly not to order them to go into the Abyss.

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32 A large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside. The demons begged Jesus to let them go into the pigs, and he gave them permission.

33 When the demons came out of the man, they went into the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

34 When those tending the pigs saw what had happened, they ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, 35 and the people went out to see what had happened.” When they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone out, sitting at Jesus’ feet, dressed and in his

right mind; and they were afraid.
36 Those who had seen it told the people how the demon-possessed man had been cured. 37 Then all the people of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them, because they were overcome with fear. So he got into the boat and left.

38 The man from whom the demons had gone out begged to go with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying,
39 “Return home and tell how much God has done for you.” So the man went away and told all over town how much Jesus had done for him.

Swine Flew

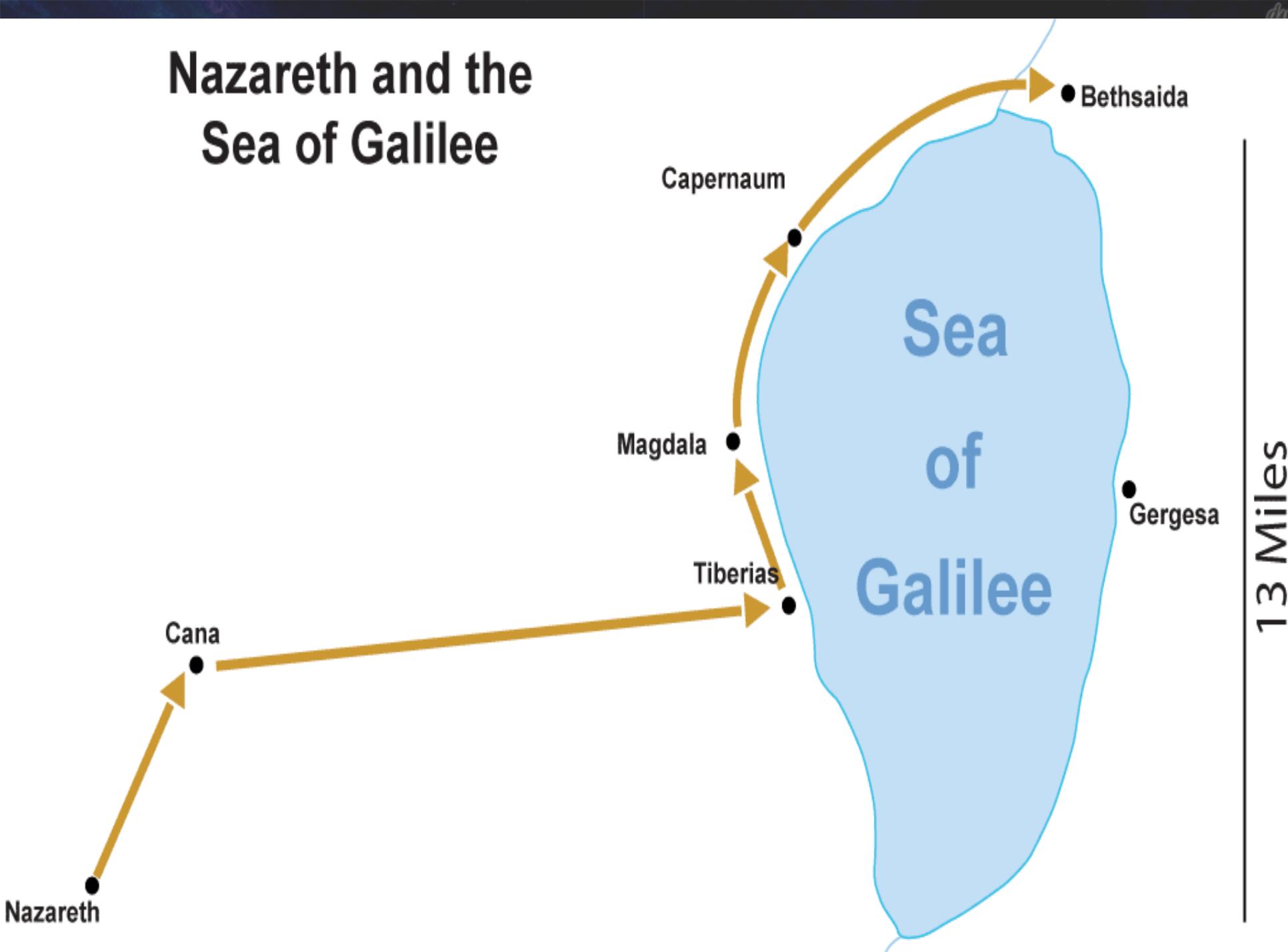
Luke 8

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Many have undertaken to draw up an account of the things that have been fulfilled among us, ² just as they were handed down to us by those who from the first were eyewitnesses and servants of the word. ³ With this in mind, since I myself have carefully investigated everything from the beginning,

I too decided to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, ⁴ so that you may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.

Nazareth and the Sea of Galilee



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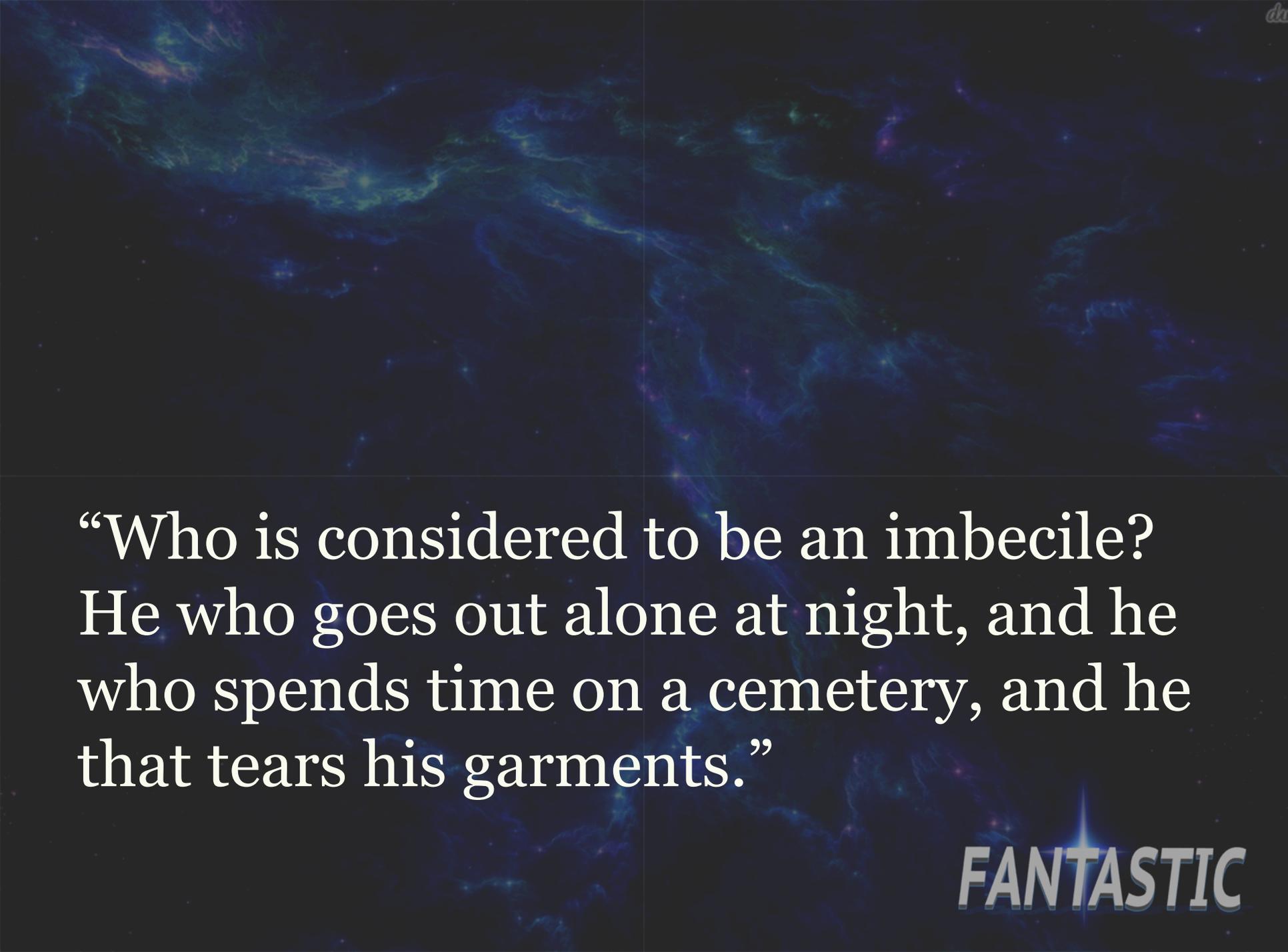
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naked man's exclamation suggests:

- He knows who Jesus is.
- He knows Jesus has some kind of epic authority.
- This man was probably a Gentile and he probably had his own personality.

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“Who is considered to be an imbecile?
He who goes out alone at night, and he
who spends time on a cemetery, and he
that tears his garments.”

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- The life and ministry of Jesus was **incomparably fantastic**. It was wild and unpredictable. It was glorious -- and at times very strange.

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- There is a **spiritual realm** around us that is **populated with perceptive, conscious entities** that can exercise influence over us. These forces exercise their influence in strange and inexplicable ways. Some of those forces are **evil and mean us harm.**

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- Sometimes problems that present themselves as emotional/mental or physical issues can really be issues of **tormenting spiritual forces.**

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- These forces **recognize the fantastic authority and power of Jesus**. They submit to him fully. In the case of evil forces, he can set us free from their influence.

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