

LITTLE FOXES

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:14

14 O my dove, that art in the clefts of the rock, in the secret places of the stairs, let me see thy countenance, let me hear thy voice; for sweet is thy voice, and thy countenance is comely.

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:15

15 Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines have tender grapes.

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:16

16 My beloved is mine, and I am his: he feedeth among the lilies.

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:17

17 Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether.

SONG OF SOLOMON 2:15

15 *TAKE us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines have tender grapes.

TAKE: HEBREW LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 270

'achaz {aw-khaz'}

grasp, take hold, seize, take possession
to be caught,

BELIEVING. GOD_ JEFF. IN V-19 N-7 SUNDAY_ 52-0224

90 . This outside is sin. Do you know that? Do you know your body's sin? That's the reason you don't try to perfect that body; it's sin.

Did you know that? It was borned in sin, shaped in iniquity, come to the world speaking lies.

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93 And that soul is the same way until the soul died and then was borned again of God, then that soul can't die. "The soul that sinneth shall die. But he that believeth on Me has Everlasting Life,"

then there's an immortal Life living in that body. Now, that's like a string coming from heaven, like a core on the inside of a man. Now, that's the part that's godly; It operates this body. But before this body can ever become perfected, the Spirit will bring it in submission to God to make you. . .

It'll war all the time, a constant. Paul said. We'll never get more than he. See? Paul said, "When I would do good, then evil is near me. See?" And there's a constant war, the flesh against the Spirit.

THE. GOD. OF. THIS. EVIL. AGE_ JEFF. IN V-4 N-9 SUNDAY_ 65-0801M

189. Now, Lord, but for the greatest of all healing! If You heal their physical body from cancer, TB, pneumonia, something, they'll get sick again, no doubt, if they live very long, for their body is still under sin, the curse.

But let them get the--the real Divine healing, the healing of the soul, which makes a new creature, passes from death unto Life, and then waiting in this old tabernacle for the redemption of the body after the soul has been redeemed. Grant it, Lord

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MARK 5:1

1 And they came over unto the other side of the sea, into the country of the Gadarenes.

MARK 5:2

2 And when he was come out of the ship, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit,

MARK 5:3

3 Who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no man could bind him, no, not with chains:

MARK 5:4

4 Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces: neither could any man tame him.

MARK 5:5

5 And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs, crying, and cutting himself with stones.

THE. MANIAC. OF. GADARA_ CHICAGO. IL TUESDAY_ 54-0720A

E-52..... . Let's dramatize it a moment in his character. I can imagine seeing him as a fine fellow. But the first thing you now, some of the crowd come along and got him to get away from church, or go away from God.

Next thing you know, the devil had him on the next step; he started drinking. One drink, one devil. Just kept on, backsliding, going away.

AND. THEN. JESUS. CAME_ PHOENIX. AZ SATURDAY_ 57-0302

E-20..... One day, way down in the land of Gadara, no doubt a sociable, God-fearing citizen, once lived. And he got out with the wrong crowd. Maybe just married and had two or three little kiddies.

But he got mixed up in the wrong group.
And that's where many a young man and young woman loses out, getting mixed up in the wrong group, the wrong--wrong associates.

And so, one night they taken him out, give him a drink. "Oh, play a little game, or do this, or gamble a little.

It won't hurt." Then the first devil entered him. He went home and had to tell his wife a lie. The second devil entered him. And on till he was possessed with a legion, and he'd got beyond any help

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E-53 And after while the devil drove him insane. And there the man was out there. He must have been a terrible character. He lived out there in those rough places.

And they'd bind him with fetters. He was twice his strength. He could break them little old fetters and--and move out just like there was nothing holding him. Even the--the army or--or the officers that would bind him up, he'd just break them apart and go on.

He was a real rough. . .
It wasn't his human strength; it was the devil's strength that was doing that. And the devil is powerful, but God is more powerful....

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E-57 Seeing this poor old fellow, Legion, out there, maybe once in a while he'd come to himself; he'd just look, say, "What am I doing here? What--what. . ."

Look there's chains all around him and things like that and his body all cut up. Then the devil would throw him into a spell and here he would go. Maybe he'd come to again and think, "I got a wife and children somewhere."

And the first thing you know, the devil pull him into another spell, and here he go. And he was a murderer, if he could get to people. He didn't know he was doing it; the devil was doing it. That's right.

HARDEN: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4456
poroo {po-ro'-o} from poros (a kind of stone); to cover with a thick skin, to harden by covering with a callus;

metaph. to make the heart dull; to grow hard, callous, become dull, lose the power of understanding

MARK 5:6

6 But when he saw Jesus afar off, he ran and worshipped him,

MARK 5:7

7 And cried with a loud voice, and said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of the most high God? I adjure thee by God, that thou torment me not.

MARK 5:8

8 For he said unto him, Come out of the man, thou unclean spirit.

THE. MANIAC. OF. GADARA_ CHICAGO. IL TUESDAY_ 54-0720A

E-87 Now, we notice here then, that our character, that in him, he was a religious devil, exactly. For he run down and fell down and worshipped Jesus. Now, you say, "If I worship Jesus, I'm all right." Wait just a minute.

This devil worshipped Jesus, sure did, and confessed Him publicly, and said, "I know who You are. I'll give witness of You that You're the Son of God, the Son of the most high God." And watch, he give Him a--a command. Said, "I adjure Thee," the devil did.

Watch some of these guys that wants to talk about Divine healing. Said, "Oh, by the living God I know these things." See? "I adjure Thee by the living God, that Thou torment me not" There you are.

MARK 5:13

13 And forthwith Jesus gave them leave. And the unclean spirits went out, and entered into the swine: and the herd ran violently down a steep place into the sea, (they were about two thousand;) and were choked in the sea.

MARK 5:14

14 And they that fed the swine fled, and told it in the city, and in the country. And they went out to see what it was that was done.

MARK 5:15

15 And they come to Jesus, and see him that was possessed with the devil, and had the legion, sitting, and clothed, and in his right mind: and they were afraid.

MARK 5:16

16 And they that saw it told them how it befell to him that was possessed with the devil, and also concerning the swine.

MARK 5:17

17 And they began to pray him to depart out of their coasts.

MARK 5:18

18 And when he was come into the ship, he that had been possessed with the devil prayed him that he might be with him.

MARK 5:19

19 Howbeit Jesus suffered him not, but saith unto him, Go home to thy friends, and tell them how great things the Lord hath done for thee, and hath had compassion on thee.

MARK 5:20

20 And he departed, and began to publish in Decapolis how great things Jesus had done for him: and all men did marvel.

THE. MANIAC. OF. GADARA_ CHICAGO. IL TUESDAY_ 54-0720A

E-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."

THE. MANIAC. OF. GADARA_ CHICAGO. IL TUESDAY_ 54-0720A

E-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." 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.

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E-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.....

MATTHEW 16:24

24 Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him *DENY himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

DENY: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 533

aparneomai {ap-ar-neh'-om-ahee}

to affirm that one has no acquaintance or connection with someone, to forget one's self, lose sight of one's self and one's own interests

MARK 8:34

34 And when he had called the people unto him with his disciples also, he said unto them, Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

LUKE 9:23

23 And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

ENTICING. SPIRITS_ JEFF. IN DE 79-112 SUNDAY_ 55-0724

144..... Watch all that old selfishness, the way you've been talking to your wife, the way you been talking to your husband, the way you been talking to your neighbor,

the way you've talked about the people in the church; lay it on the altar this morning and the fire of God will come down and take it right away and Divine love will burn in its place.....

I. STAND. AT. THE. DOOR. AND. KNOCK_ JEFF. IN SUNDAY_ 57-1208

E-22 Now, let's speak just for a moment or two on some of these little doors. One of them is a little door of selfishness. Oh, we find that so much in the professed Christian's heart: selfish.

Oh, you. . . I. . . "It's for me and for my group. As long as it's in my denomination, it's all right. But if it's outside, if it's not a Baptist church, or it's not my Presbyterian, or my Pentecostal, if it's outside the Assemblies, or so forth, it's no good."

Then you see, Christ can't have the rulership. He can't be Lord. If He's Lord, He's Ruler.

And if you say, "Well, I--I like for Him to do a certain thing for me, but if it's a . . . if I can get so much out of it.

I'll go to church if it'll make the people in my community think better of me." But you won't open this little door.

THE. QUEEN. OF. THE. SOUTH_ WATERLOO. IA SATURDAY_ 58-0125

E-30..... You see what pride and selfishness does? It shuts you out from the Kingdom of God. I wonder sometime, as we think, what will happen to this generation.

IMAGES. OF. CHRIST_ JEFF. IN MONDAY_ 59-0525

E-30 Now remember. It's only the sick that demands attention--service, just the sick. They demand attention. And when you see a preacher. . . And may I not only limit it to a preacher,

but may I limit it to every church member that wants attention: "I'm somebody," just remember, there's a spiritual sick person. They're needing attention. They need the attention of the Spirit of God to give them something that'll take that attitude

out of them and heal them from their selfishness, and big ideas, and "big me and little you." The Holy Ghost makes us all the same. Too much spiritual sickness--anemics. . .

HOW. CAN. I. OVERCOME_ JEFF. IN V-4 N-12 SUNDAY_ 63-0825M

119.....Just remember, you're living for God. You have one objective, and that's Jesus Christ. Outside of that, there's nothing else counts. That's Him. Then, secondly, for your family.

Then, thirdly, for yourself. But, first, for God; next, for your family; and next, for you. You're number three; that's the end of the road. Put yourself last; He did.