

## ***I AM - The Greatest Battle of Your Life***

### **Unit 4: Second Chances**

#### **Lesson 1: Freedom**

##### **The Cave of Wisdom**

##### **The Burning Bush:** Freedom to Serve Others

The Cave Opening:

Welcome back to the cave of the Demons of Life. Do you believe in Demons? This lesson deals with the demons that torment our lives each day and cause us to lose the path to God's dream for us. These demons come in many forms. Surely you have experienced some or seen them in others. A "demon" is anything that takes away your freedom to follow God's path to your dream. Sometimes the demon is even you, because actions you take toward others prevent them from doing what God wants them to do. In this lesson, we will take a look at a few "demons".

##### **A Singing Heart:** Freedom from human demons

*Scripture:* Mark 5: 1-20 – This is the story of "Legion", a man who had many bad demons in his life, thousands, hence his name, "Legion, for we are many." Jesus was the opposite side of a lake from "Legion", but he knew of Legions need to be set free of the demons that held him captive. Legion was unable to come to Jesus for help, the demons drove him wild. But Jesus came to Legion, and the

demons were afraid. Freedom from life's demon's is obtainable through Jesus. He is all powerful!

*Biblical Character:* Legion obtains freedom through Jesus.

Act the part of Legion, the wild man who lived in the cemetery.

Show the video of Jesus and Legion. With freedom comes the desire to follow the dream to the Father.

Show the video: Secret to Helping Others.

**Reality Character(s):** Anorexic, Bullying, and Helping. Show the two negative videos and explain that these are only two of the demons of life which do harm to others and destroy the dream for us. Then show the "Opie Questions Andy about Helping Others" video and explain the power of helping.

Show the video "Teenage affluenza is spreading fast." This is perhaps the most common teenage demon, and it leads to other demons.

***The Tribe:*** There is no demon which God cannot overcome.

**Craft:** none

**Recreation Activity:** “What would you do?” Have part of the students perform various situational skits such as tempting to smoke or mocking someone. Encourage the other students to react to the situation.

Alternate Activity: “Bible Trivia Parcheesi” Divide the class into teams of two each. The team members are the pieces for the Parcheesi board game. Make the board by placing card stock sheets on the floor. Each sheet should be labeled with a category: Person, Place, Old Testament, New Testament, and Thing. Use the Bible category trivia questions and play the game using Parcheesi rules until both team members of a team are in the “home” area.