

# I CAN TELL MY STORY



Provide drawing materials to your kid (pencil, paper, crayons, etc.)

Instruction to kids: Draw or create a superhero that will reflect your parent/s. List down 5 superpowers or characteristics your superheroes would have. Why these superpowers? How do you see these powers in your parents?



Let's read about a man who also had his story to tell.

*Matthew 5:1-20*

*1 They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. 2 And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs, a man with an unclean spirit. 3 He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, 4 for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. 5 Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. 6 And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. 7 And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." 8 For he was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" 9 And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." 10 And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. 11 Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, 12 and they begged him, saying, "Send us to the pigs; let us enter them." 13 So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and drowned in the sea.*

*14 The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened. 15 And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed[c] man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. 16 And those who had seen it described to them what had happened to the demon-possessed man and to the pigs. 17 And they began to beg Jesus to depart from their region. 18 As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. 19 And he did not permit him but said to him, "Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you." 20 And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.*

How remarkable that Jesus healed a man, when everybody had given up on him. But when he said he wanted to go with Jesus and do ministry with Him, Jesus did not allow it. Instead, He commanded him to go and tell others about what the Lord did for him. When people heard his story, they were amazed. And that's not just in one small area but in 10 cities! Yes, that's what Decapolis meant, 10 cities!

Just like this man, Jesus also healed us from a life of sin. And He asks the same thing of us - to tell others about it. When others hear of it, they will see how good, loving, and powerful God is. *Romans 1:16, (NIV) "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile."*

The gospel of God is powerful because it can change lives. This is what many people need to hear and we must be bold in letting others know!



**Parent to Kid/s:**  
**2-6 years old**

- Share about a time when God answered your prayer!

**7-12 years old**

- Share about one powerful thing Jesus did for you.  
- Think about your friends and who among them you can share it with.

**Kid/s to Parent:**

- Have you tried sharing your testimony with others? What happened?

Let's practice saying our testimony in front of a mirror. When you feel confident, practice it with your family members or friends. Be open to receive feedback and suggestions. Be proactive and see how God will use your story to change people's lives!



Dear God,

Thank You for what You have done for us. We pray that You would give us the confidence to share our testimony to others. Help us to be honest and be focused on having You as the star of our testimony. Here we are Lord, send us, use us, for Your glory. In Jesus' name,

Amen.



Did you know that before Facebook, Instagram, Tiktok and many more, there was Friendster. In Friendster, you can write a "Testimonial" on another person's page. That testimonial is your story telling how you know the person you are writing about. If Jesus had a Friendster page, what would you write about Jesus? How did He change or impact your life?

Side note for older readers: Testimony and Testimonial are two different things but almost similar. The third entry of Testimonial in the Merriam-Webster Dictionary is Testimony. We just usually use Testimony in church because we use its legal origins: Testimony as a declaration made by a witness.