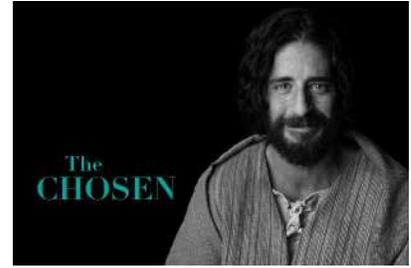


The CHOSEN

Season 1 Episode 4A (first half)

“The Rock On Which It Is Built”

(end after Simon finds Matthew following him and trying to convince him to turn himself in, at approx 24 min.)



INTRODUCTION

Season 1 Episode 4: “The Rock On Which It Is Built” With his life and family under threat from Rome, Simon spends one last night fishing in a desperate attempt to square his debts.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

1. Which characters or scenes stood out to you the most? Which were the most interesting?
2. These are times of difficult decisions. Simon chooses not to pursue Zebedee’s boats. Later Zebedee says, “We owe you a great debt for that, but I cannot repay you by stealing food from the mouths of my men.” Does this remind you of any difficult decisions in your life?
3. Why do you think Matthew seems to enjoy being helpful to Quintus and the Romans? Is there something we can learn from this?
4. The religious leaders were upset hearing John the Baptist rebuking them. If the religious leaders of Jesus’ day were constantly missing the point- is it possible that we also have some priorities mixed up?
5. Why did Nicodemus want to know if John had performed miracles? What did he suspect?
6. Eden says to Simon, “Where is your faith? ... I’m not talking about tonight, I am talking about long before tonight.” What ways does Eden think Simon has not prioritized God?
7. Why does Simon seem unimpressed that Andrew thinks he has seen the Messiah?
8. Andrew met Jesus through John the Baptist and is confident He’s the Messiah. What do you think about his longing for Peter to know Jesus? Who is it that you long for to know Jesus? If you are Andrew, who is your “Peter?”
9. Whom do I resemble more in my moments of high stress? (Simon, Andrew, Eden)

SCRIPTURE & PRAYER

John 1:40-41 NIV Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. 41 The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, “We have found the Messiah” (that is, the Christ).

Lead in prayer.