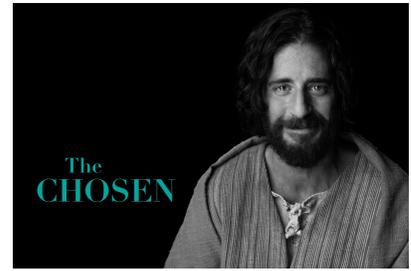


The CHOSEN

Season 1 Episode 6A (first half)

“Indescribable Compassion”

(end after Simon and Andrew’s conversation with Matthew, at approx. 25 min.)



INTRODUCTION

Season 1 Episode 6: Matthew wrestles with many questions about what he saw; and after witnessing the healing of a leper on the road to Capernaum, a woman forces her paralytic friend through the crowd to meet Jesus.

POSSIBLE QUESTIONS

1. Which characters or scenes stood out to you the most?
2. Leprosy was a major disease of the time that led to a loss of dignity, love, and community. Are there people today, who feel treated like this by us or others?
3. Marcus to Gaius (soldiers); "I told you it was made up." When have you experienced others discounting God in some way?
4. What impressions did you get from the scene with Nicodemus before Av Beit Din, ("Chief of the Court" of the Sanhedrin) and Shmuel? (themes of authority, confrontation, disagreements)
5. Peter didn't believe "Little James" could be someone who could join the "Jerusalem Temple Choir". Have you ever felt similar discouragement from others?
6. Matthew has so many questions and isn't convinced that he's been deceived. What questions did you have to wrestle with in life and faith?
7. Compassion was a huge theme within this episode. Why do you think compassion was so much a part of what Jesus did?
8. Did you notice the difference in Simon's care for his mother-in-law compared to an earlier episode when it was "not a good time" for her to come under their care?
9. Even though Simon and Andrew tell Matthew to forget what he saw, when Matthew asks them if he was deceived, Andrew asks an important question, ... "What good is our answer if you don't even listen to yourself?" When did you truly "own" your faith?

SCRIPTURE & PRAYER

Luke 5:12 While Jesus was in one of the towns, a man came along who was covered with leprosy. When he saw Jesus, he fell with his face to the ground and begged him, “Lord, if you are willing, you can make me clean.”