The Chosen

Season 1, Episode 6: Indescribable Compassion

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Notes:

- See the footnote for the study resources.¹
- See the episode 1 handout for some important background information on some of the main characters.



Video Summary:

- 1. Matthew and his associate Gaius (Kirk B. R. Woller) deliver Simon's tax payment to Quintus.
- 2. Nicodemus tries to correct Shmuel for detaining the Baptizer.
- 3. On the way back to Capernaum, Jesus and his students befriend an Egyptian named Tamar (Amber Shana Williams).
- 4. Suddenly, a leper (Stephen Hailo) approaches Jesus on the road, asking Jesus to heal him. Jesus cleanses him, telling him not to speak of it.

NAU **Matthew 8:2-4** ...a leper came to Him and bowed down before Him, and said, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean." Jesus stretched out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." And immediately his leprosy was cleansed. And Jesus said to him, "See that you tell no one; but go, show yourself to the priest and present the offering that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them."

- 5. The group heads to the house of Zebedee and his wife Salome (Nina Leon).
- 6. As Jesus preaches, a crowd gathers, drawing the attention of both the Pharisees and the Romans.
- 7. After witnessing the healing of the leper on the road earlier, Tamar forces her way through the crowd to help her paralytic friend (Noé de la Garza) meet Jesus.
- 8. Tamar's friends climb to and remove the rooftop, lowering the paralytic. Jesus forgives the paralytic, disturbing the Pharisees. Jesus heals the paralytic, and Matthew writes it down.

NAU Matthew 9:2-8 ...they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the paralytic, "Take courage, son; your sins are forgiven." And some of the scribes said to themselves, "This *fellow* blasphemes." And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, "Why are you thinking evil in your hearts? "Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, and walk '? "But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins "-- then He said to the paralytic, "Get up, pick up your bed and go home." And he got up and went home. But when the crowds saw *this*, they were awestruck, and glorified God...

¹ Sources: The Holy Bible; Book: What Does It Mean to Be Chosen? Jenkins & Huffman; this website: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The Chosen (TV series)

- 9. Shmuel quickly calls on the Romans to seize Jesus.
- 10. The disciples immediately flee, and Nicodemus seeks Mary Magdalene to meet with Jesus.

Watch the Video: Season 1, Episode 6: Indescribable Compassion (52 Minutes)

Noteworthy Quotes:

- "...the miracles weren't the point; healing the body demonstrated Jesus' power and willingness to heal the heart" (100).
- "...the problem with behaving our way to salvation is that we can't do it. We can't not sin. In our own strength, we can't keep the law—not perfectly, not completely, not all the time" (100).
- "...we need an overhaul of the system, one that depends on Jesus's goodness instead of our own" (100).
- "...the law exposes our desperate need for salvation that only comes through faith in Jesus..."
 (102).
- Good News: NAU Psalm 103:10-12 He has not dealt with us according to our sins, Nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, So great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him. As far as the east is from the west, So far has He removed our transgressions from us.

Next Class, Episode 7: Invitations

- Next Wednesday, June 8
- 11 am and 7 pm
- Gather at 10:30 and 6:30 for fellowship
- If you desire, bring a snack to share