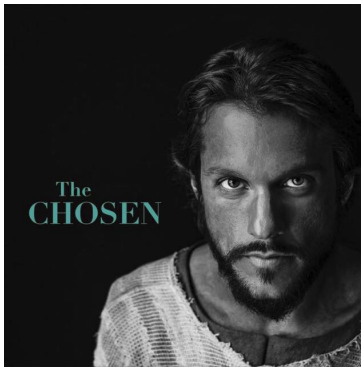




1 Youth Ministry

Grades 7-12

June 19, 2021
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Sundays 9:30 AM

**The Chosen
Official Trailer**

**Questions answered
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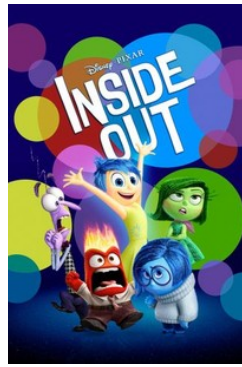
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Midweek Youth

Join us every Wed. from 7-8pm for fellowship and prayer along with lessons applying Biblical principles to your life today and get answers to all your questions.

Foster Care Teens Personal Care Items

We are still collecting "Personal Care Items" for teens in foster care



Friday July 2nd 6:30pm



Wednesdays 7:00 PM



Wednesday Nights at 7:00pm

Join us every Wednesday night from 7:00pm to 8:00pm for an exciting new series about seeing the "Thread" of the Gospel through the entire Bible.

Together, we will see that Jesus was God's word made in the flesh, as both messenger and the message of God's salvation for all and He can be seen throughout the Bible from Genesis to Revelation and everywhere in between.

Sundays at 9:30am



throughout the year. Items for both male and female teens are being collected in the bin just outside our youth room. These items will be sorted into personal bags and given to DCS to be distributed to teens who may not even have their own tooth brush or comb.

Bible verse of the week

John 3:1-17

3 Now there was a Pharisee, a man named Nicodemus who was a member of the Jewish ruling council. ² He came to Jesus at night and said, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the signs you are doing if God were not with him." ³ Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God unless they are born again." ⁴ "How can someone be born when they are old?" Nicodemus asked. "Surely they cannot enter a second time into their mother's womb to be born!" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. ⁶ Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit. ⁷ You should not be surprised at my saying, 'You must be born again.' ⁸ The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is



Indescribable Compassion

Last Sunday, we finished episode 6 of **The Chosen TV series**, "Indescribable Compassion". In this episode, we got to see just some of the compassion of Jesus with Him healing the leper and the paralytic man as well as having Simon go spend time with his family and to take care of his sick mother in law.

Jesus shows us His compassion for others beyond any we can even imagine so that we may also have the same compassion for each other.

We talked about why it was such a big deal that He healed the leper. The Jews believed that people who contracted leprosy (a horrible, contagious, incurable, and very often fatal disease) were being punished by God for their sins and could only be forgiven and healed by God himself.

Nicodemus had a "teaching moment" with Shmuel telling him that we are all still students and our understanding will never be complete. He talked about the earthly limits that we place on God to have him fit inside the "safe" and "comfortable" box we have made for Him.

He said that while we are to walk in the "good way" as Jeremiah says, we must also keep our eyes open for the unexpected and not allow ourselves to get stuck in our own ways.

Nicodemus uses the Sadducees as an example. They believe only in the 1st five books of the Bible. He says, "think of all they have missed" by ignoring the rest of what God has said and done and in keeping their eyes closed to what may be in the future.

We talked about how we can sometimes put God in a box by putting our earthly or even religious limits on what He can do. Our fear of change or of the unknown of leaving our comfort zone can blind us to what God has planned and to His glory that is all around us. Our fear of standing out as a Christian can hold us back from being all that God created us to be.

going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit." ⁹ "How can this be?" Nicodemus asked. ¹⁰ "You are Israel's teacher," said Jesus, "and do you not understand these things?" ¹¹ Very truly I tell you, we speak of what we know, and we testify to what we have seen, but still you people do not accept our testimony. ¹² I have spoken to you of earthly things and you do not believe; how then will you believe if I speak of heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ever gone into heaven except the one who came from heaven—the Son of Man. ¹⁴ Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, ¹⁵ that everyone who believes may have eternal life in him." ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

We saw later, when Jesus healed the paralytic, that Shmuel was not a very attentive student as his reaction to witnessing the miracle first hand was to call in the Roman guards to arrest Jesus. While Nicodemus' response was to attempt to have a meeting with Jesus to learn more.

Read **John 3** to see what this meeting may look like.

We talked about how whenever Jesus heals someone He urges us to keep our faith and remember that no one person is greater than any other. We are all God's creation and are healed by our faith in Him.

Simon is getting excited that things are starting to happen (even though he still doesn't understand it) but he is also nervous about who is starting to notice and he is always prepared to do what it takes to protect Jesus from harm.

Matthew is "lost" becoming more confused about what he has always believed logically being in conflict with what he is actually seeing now. It defies all logic but it still happens.

Things are really starting to happen in Capernaum now. Don't miss the next episode tomorrow!

We watch episode 7 on Sunday June 20th at 9:30

If you ever miss an episode during this series and would like to get caught up or just review, you can view the entire first season for free at their **website**.

Upcoming Events

First Friday Youth Movie Night

Join us at LWA on Friday, July 2nd, at 6:30pm for Youth Movie Night!

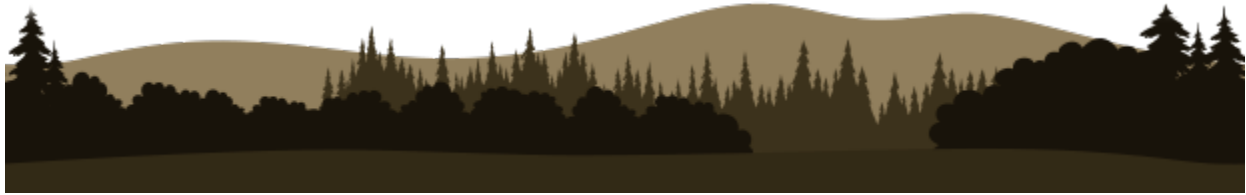
The movie will be the 2015 movie, "Inside Out". All youth, grades 7-12, their friends and families are invited.

Rated PG



"After young Riley is uprooted from her Midwest life and moved to San Francisco, her emotions - Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness - conflict on how best to navigate a new city, house, and school."

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