



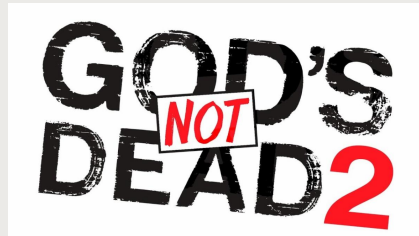
1 Youth Ministry

Grades 7-12

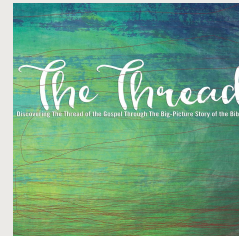
March 3, 2022
 The Chosen Episode 1 Recap



Sundays at 9:30am
 The Chosen Season 2



Friday March 4th
 at 6:30pm



Every Wednesday
 at 7pm

[The Chosen](#)
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[Questions answered about The Chosen by the director](#)

[View the entire first two seasons here](#)

We are currently teaching from season 2 of the Chosen series on Sundays at 9:30!!!

[Watch the first season here.](#)

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



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



Sons of Thunder Recap

This past Sunday, we had an in-depth discussion about

in foster care 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.

This Week's Bible Verse
Mark 3:17

¹⁷ James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them he gave the name Boanerges, which means "sons of thunder")

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episode 1 from Season 2 of **The Chosen** series. This episode had a lot going on and we had some really good questions so we decided we needed another week to talk about it before we moved on to episode 2.

We started our discussion about a very good question that came up after watching the episode. Why did the Jews and Samaritans hate each other so much?

To get a better idea of the hatred that built over 100's of years we went back to the beginning of it 900 years earlier when the Israelites divided into two separate kingdoms. The division, after King Solomon's death, was largely due to politics and to differences in beliefs.

We looked at how the division and hatred grew over hundreds of years until the two groups could not even look at each other let alone be with or talk to each other.

We said that this was the environment that Jesus chose to teach His message and discussed reasons why He would choose such an environment. We suggested that He wanted to heal the hatred, looking to bring back the "lost sheep", spreading the message that the good news and love of God is for ALL people regardless of who they are, where they are, or what they have done, and to plant seeds that will last for generations.

We decided this was pretty much the underlying theme of the entire episode. We also saw that Jesus didn't march into Samaria and start preaching that they are wrong or that they are going to Hell unless they repent. We agreed that they would have probably just said "who the heck are you? Get out of here".

Instead, Jesus teaches a positive message with love and by serving others (teaches by example). We agreed that the world we live in today is in much of the same conditions as was between the Samaritans and the Jews. We said we should be showing God's love and serving others, as Jesus did, to plant seeds that will last for generations.

We also noted that throughout the episode, the Disciples make plans about what they should be doing only to find that they didn't align with what Jesus already had planned for them.

We said that this is not saying that we shouldn't make plans at all but rather to not be surprised when God changes our plans to align better with His.

We saw that it is sometimes good or not so good for us to have strong passions, like when He named Big James and

John the "Sons of Thunder". But only when our passions drive us to follow God's plan, not when they drive others away.

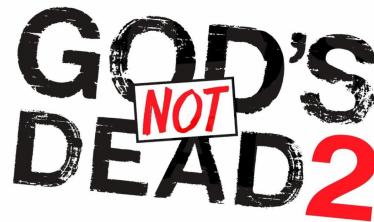
Finally, a very powerful scene was at the end, in the Synagogue, when John actually understood that Jesus is a divine man who was not only sent by God but who also **IS** God who was there "in the beginning" as it was overlapped with John beginning to write the book of John in the future with "In the beginning..."

Don't miss Episode 2 this Sunday (6th)

Upcoming Events

First Friday Movie Night

Join us at LWA on March 4th, at 6:30pm for 1 Youth Movie Night!



The movie will be the 2016 drama,

"God's Not Dead 2".

For youth, grades 7-12, friends and families.

Rated PG

High school history teacher Grace Wesley (Melissa Joan Hart) comes under fire for answering a student's (Hayley Orrantia) question about Jesus. When Grace refuses to apologize, the school board votes to suspend her and threatens to revoke her teaching certificate. Forced to stand trial to save her career, Grace hires young lawyer Tom Endler (Jesse Metcalfe) to defend her in court. Endler devises a powerful strategy to show the jury the historical significance of Wesley's classroom discussion.

[See Trailer Here](#)

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