

# 1 Youth Ministry

Grades 7-12

## March 11, 2022 The Chosen Episode 2



Sundays at 9:30am The Chosen Season 2



Friday April 1st at 6:30pm



Every Wednesday at 7pm

Questions answered about The Chosen by the director

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

Watch 1st 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
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

# The Chread

Discovering The Thread of the Gospel Through The Big-Picture Story of the Bible

### 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



I Saw You

This past Sunday, we started episode 2 from Season 2 of

who may not even have their own tooth brush or comb.

This Week's Bible Verse

John 1:43-51 <sup>43</sup> The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup> Philip, like Andrew and Peter, was from the town of Bethsaida. <sup>45</sup> Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the Law, and about whom the prophets also wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." <sup>46</sup> "Nazareth! Can anything good come from there?" Nathanael asked. "Come and see," said Philip. <sup>47</sup> When Jesus saw Nathanael approaching, he said of him, "Here truly is an Israelite in whom there is no deceit." <sup>48</sup> "How do you know me?" Nathanael asked. Jesus answered, "I saw you while you were still under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup> Then Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel." <sup>50</sup> Jesus said, "You believe because I told you I saw you under the fig tree. You will see greater things than that."51 He then added, "Very truly I tell you, you will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son

of Man."

The Chosen series. Before starting the episode, we read John 1:43-51 where Jesus calls Philip and Nathaniel.

We said that there's not much we know about Philip and Nathaniel other than Jesus called them and they followed. We said, that's where The Chosen comes in and episode 2 of season 2 is a good example of how The Chosen uses scripture, historical data, societal norms, and sometimes just "what would make sense" to create plausible back stories for those who followed Jesus.

It is not scripture and is not intended to replace or change scripture but it can help us to better understand scripture by helping us to identify with and to understand those who followed Jesus in the 1st Century.

The story they created for Nathaniel is especially interesting because it is a story we can all easily identify with ourselves in our own lives. In this episode, we not only learn about Nathaniel but also some about Philip and even more about Matthew.

In the 1st half of the episode we see Nathaniel, as an architect in the Roman city of Caesarea, having what he believes is his entire life's purpose literally and suddenly come crashing down. He spent his entire life wanting to design and build great synagogues worshiping God but now it is all over. He feels his whole life is over. He cried out to God from under a fig tree and even spent the entire day there waiting for an answer but he got no response as he became even more angry and more frustrated.

We found that Philip was a follower of John the Baptizer who told him to go follow Jesus. He was friends with Andrew and Nathaniel. Jesus tells him that he will be the most experienced of all His followers and Philip asks later if they can stop at Caesarea on their way to Syria so that he can visit his friend Nathaniel.

We learned more about Matthew as well and how he really feels being hated by everyone. Matthew and Philip had a good conversation about people seeing him as he was but he is different now that he has met Jesus. He is no longer who he was. We are no longer our old selves when we accept Jesus as our savior and become new again.

We discussed these three characters as well as the others as we can begin to see the tension between them having so many different personalities and backgrounds living together following Jesus. We said it should be interesting to see how everything works out.

We plan to read John 1:43-51 again, after this episode is completed, to see if it helped us to identify with and to

<u>Visit our</u> website here! understand the scripture any better.

Don't miss the conclusion of Episode 2 this Sunday (13th)

### **Upcoming Events**

### First Friday Movie Night

Join us at LWA on April 1st, at 6:30pm for 1 Youth Movie Night!



The movie will be the 2018 drama.

"God's Not Dead 3 - A Light In Darkness".
For youth, grades 7-12, friends and families.
Rated PG

The Rev. Dave Hill faces an unexpected setback when his beloved church burns down -- prompting the officials at the adjoining university to try and kick his congregation off campus. Battle lines are quickly drawn between the church and the community as the reverend now finds himself at odds with his longtime friend -- the president of the school. Facing a legal battle, Hill soon seeks help from his estranged brother -- a big-city lawyer and atheist -- in a fight to help rebuild the church.

<u>See Trailer Here</u>

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