

1 Youth Ministry Grades 7-12

April 16, 2022 The Chosen Episode 4



Sundays at 9:30am The Chosen Season 2

Questions answered about The Chosen by the director

Watch here for information about Jr High & HS Summer Camp

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 who may not even have their



Friday May 6th at 6:30pm



Every Wednesday at 7pm

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



The Perfect Opportunity (Part 2) Last Sunday, we finished episode 4 from Season 2 of The own tooth brush or comb.

This Week's Bible Verse John 5:1-13

Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish festivals.² Now there is in Jerusalem near the Sheep Gate a pool, which in Aramaic is called Bethesda and which is surrounded by five covered colonnades.³ Here a areat number of disabled people used to lie—the blind, the lame, the paralyzed. One who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years.⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there and learned that he had been in this condition for a long time, he asked him, "Do you want to get well?"' "Sir," the invalid replied, "I have no one to help me into the pool when the water is stirred. While I am trying to get in, someone else goes down ahead of me." ⁸ Then Jesus said to him, "Get up! Pick up your mat and walk." ⁹ At once the man was cured; he picked up his mat and walked. The day on which this took place was a Sabbath, ¹⁰ and so the

Sabbath, '` and so the Jewish leaders said to the man who had been healed, "It is the Sabbath; the law forbids you to carry your mat." ¹¹ But he replied, "The man who made me well said to me, 'Pick up your mat and walk.' " ¹² So they asked him, "Who is **Chosen** series. We left off with Simon about to murder a Roman Magistrate, Jesse losing all hope of ever being healed, Shmuel teaching about false prophets in the city, and Jesus planning to go see somebody in the city.

Simon, The Zealot, knowing that there was a good chance he may be die in his mission, went to the pool to see his brother Jesse and to say goodbye.

After their conversation, Jesse began to read aloud the note that Simon had written when he left them to join the Zealots years ago. Included in his letter was the verse from **Zephaniah 3:19** that Simon had been hearing wherever he went. Also in the letter was Simon's words that "when he sees Jesse walk on two feet, he will know the Messiah has come" and he can stop fighting.

We talked about how God speaks to us and how God uses us in other's lives as well as other's in our life in order to work through us and lead us in the plan He has for us.

In this story, Simon was being reminded of his words to his brother years ago and then seeing Jesse walking on two feet stopped him from completing his mission to kill the Roman Magistrate and it led him to seek Jesus.

We discussed different ways God has spoken to us and ways in which he has used us in other's lives. We said that we are blessed to be a blessing to others and God will sometimes use us as His hands and feet in answer to other's prayers.

We then talked about Jesus healing Jesse at the pool. Jesus asked Jesse only one question, "Do you want to be healed?" Jesse, of course, responded by listing all the reasons that he couldn't be healed such as nobody would carry him to the pool, others jump in front of him, etc. but that is not what Jesus asked.

We wondered why Jesus would ask a man who had been paralyzed for 38 years if he wanted to be healed. Of course the answer must be yes. But, Jesus was looking for something else with his simple question.

Jesse had lost all hope and had no faith that he would ever be healed. He was focused on what he could not have instead of what he truly wanted, to be healed. Jesus' question was meant to bypass Jesse's doubt and to get him to focus and have faith in only Jesus and he was healed. Jesus needed Jesse to focus only on Him to restore his hope and faith before he could be healed.

We talked about how we can sometimes fall into the same trap as Jesse. We lose hope and begin to doubt

this fellow who told you to pick it up and walk?" ¹³ The man who was healed had no idea who it was, for Jesus had slipped away into the crowd that was there.

<u>Visit our</u> website here! things could ever be any better. We lose our faith in the only one who can actually make things better and we focus on what we don't have instead of being grateful for what we do have.

We said these are the times that it's especially important for us to stay strong in our faith and to keep our focus on Jesus and to never lose hope.

Join us this Easter Sunday as we discuss faith and hope and the importance of the Resurrection in our lives today.

Upcoming Events

First Friday Movie Night

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



The movie will be the 2021 drama, "God's Not Dead - We The People". For youth, grades 7-12, friends and families. Rated PG

The Rev. Dave Hill defends a group of Christian home-schooling families after they receive an impromptu inspection from a progressive, local government official who doesn't like what she finds. Taken aback by her interference, Dave travels to Washington, D.C., to testify in a landmark congressional hearing that will determine the future of religious freedom in our country for years to come.

See Trailer Here



First Friday Summer Movie Night Series

The Chosen Season 1

Join us on the first Friday of each month through the Summer at 6:30pm on June 3rd, July 1st, August 5th, and September 2nd. We'll be showing two episodes each night to complete the whole series over the summer!

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