



The CHOSEN

Season 5. Episode Two. Discussion Guide

For Churches

For the Leader

Dive deeper into Season 5 of *The Chosen* with your group! We've created these episode guides to help you lead meaningful discussions following each episode of *The Chosen*.

As you watch, discuss, and pray together, we hope these questions help your group unpack what they've seen and dig deeper into the Bible.

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Introduction

Episode 2 once again opens with Jesus and His disciples in the Upper Room at the Passover Meal. Most of this discussion is focused on the confusion of the disciples and why Jesus would have to leave them. Then the episode jumps back to the temple and town area, where we see some backstory of Kafni, Ramah, and Thomas. We will also have the opportunity to see Peter's first attempt at preaching, as well as receive a clear explanation of the temple tax and sacrificial system. The climax of the episode is the ending, as Jesus enters the temple in anger, turning over the tables of the money changers.

Bible Study passages – **Matthew 26:31-35, Mark 11:15-19, John 15:18-25**

Discuss

1. Jesus begins to face pushback from the apostles, who do not understand why He must go. Do you think you would have struggled to understand or would have accepted it quickly? What makes you believe this?
2. Peter struggled to give a sermon in the way that Jesus did. Later (in the Bible), we see Peter as a great speaker and leader. What lessons can you take from this in your own life?
3. Thomas is quickly attacked by grief after his interaction with Kafni and Naomi. Have you experienced this kind of sudden, deep grief? How have you handled it in your life? (This can be a heavy question depending on the life experience of your group, so tread gently and lightly.)

Discuss

4. Part of this episode explains the need for sacrifice, and that this was seen as an act of worship. Compare how you worship God today. Of course, because of Jesus, we no longer offer sacrifices, but shouldn't that deepen our relationship and worship of God? Why or why not?
5. Jesus clearing out the temple is an often-misunderstood piece of scripture. What led Jesus to clear out the temple? How is that similar and dissimilar to how modern-day Christians use this scripture?

Prayer

Jesus, your death on the cross is the only sacrifice that can ever atone for our sins. Help us to see the love that You have for us, that in Your commitment to God's will, You gave up Your life for ours. Open our hearts to what is true worship of God, and live daily as loyal sheep to You, our Shepherd. Amen.



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