

Film and Faith Fridays

A charismatic fisherman struggling with debt. A troubled woman wrestling with demons. A gifted accountant ostracized by his family and friends. In this groundbreaking first season of *The Chosen*, see Jesus through the eyes of those who knew him as he works his first miracles and embarks on his ministry. Released in 2019, *The Chosen* is a mini-series that reconstructs the gravity and drama of the events recorded in the Gospel narrative, and at the same time offers a much-needed corrective to existing media representations of the life of Christ through its prominent portrayal of women disciples, its emphasis on the ethnic and cultural distinctiveness of the Jews within the Roman Empire, and its focus on Jewish piety and practice in the ancient world. All in all, it's just fantastic.

Schedule

March 27th: “I Have Called You By Name” (54 minutes)—Two brothers struggle with their tax debts to Rome while a woman in the Red Quarter wrestles with her demons.

April 3rd: “Shabbat” (38 minutes) and “Jesus Loves the Little Children” (30 minutes)—Nicodemus investigates the miracle reported in the Red Quarter, and Mary receives surprise guests at her Shabbat dinner. Jesus befriends and teaches the group of children who discover his camp on the outskirts of Capernaum.

Not meeting on April 10th, due Good Friday.

April 17th: “The Rock on Which It is Built” (55 minutes)—With his life and family under threat from Rome, Simon spends one last night fishing in a desperate attempt to square his debts.

April 24th: “The Wedding Gift” (54 minutes)—Nicodemus interrogates John the Baptizer while Jesus and his students make their way to a wedding celebration in Cana.

May 1st: “Indescribable Compassion” (52 minutes)—After witnessing the healing of a leper on the road to Capernaum, a woman forces her paralytic friend through a crowd to meet Jesus.

May 8th: “Invitations” (37 minutes) and “I Am He” (59 minutes)—Matthew struggles to reconcile the miracles he has witnessed with reality. Nicodemus meets with Jesus by night. Jesus meets with a suffering woman at Jacob’s well and reveals that he is the Messiah.