

The Chosen, Season Two

Wednesdays at 6:30

Episode 6: Unlawful

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Note: Some parts of The Chosen are in the Bible, but other parts are not. This sheet contains a summary of each part of **episode 6** from wikipedia as well as my own comments. *Blessings on reading, watching, and understanding!*

1. In [Nob, Israel](#), 1008 BC, as [Ahimelech](#) (Marty Lindsey) teaches his son, [Abiathar](#) (Major Dodge Jr.), about the [shewbread](#), [David](#) (Jorge Franco IV) seeks him out for food. // The Bible account: ^{NAS} **1 Samuel 21:1-6** Then David came to Nob to Ahimelech the priest; and Ahimelech came trembling to meet David, and said to him, "Why are you alone and no one with you?" ² And David said to Ahimelech the priest, "The king has commissioned me with a matter, and has said to me, 'Let no one know anything about the matter on which I am sending you and with which I have commissioned you; and I have directed the young men to a certain place.'
³ "Now therefore, what do you have on hand? Give me five loaves of bread, or whatever can be found." ⁴ And the priest answered David and said, "There is no ordinary bread on hand, but there is consecrated bread; if only the young men have kept themselves from women." ⁵ And David answered the priest and said to him, "Surely women have been kept from us as previously when I set out and the vessels of the young men were holy, though it was an ordinary journey; how much more then today will their vessels *be holy*?" ⁶ So the priest gave him consecrated *bread*; for there was no bread there but the bread of the Presence which was removed from before the LORD, in order to put hot bread *in its place* when it was taken away.
2. In [Jericho](#), AD 26, Simon and Matthew try to get along as they search for Mary Magdalene in dark places. Matthew and Simon find Mary Magdalene who is ashamed for leaving the camp and going back to her old life, and they convince her to come back.
 - a. Not in the Bible, *but all Christians fall into sin from time to time (Eccl. 7:20)*. Whenever we fall, *may the Holy Spirit give us godly sorrow and renew our trust in Jesus*.
 - b. ^{NAS} **Psalm 112:7** [The righteous] will not fear evil tidings; His heart is steadfast, trusting in the LORD.
 - c. **"...613 refers to the 613 Jewish commandments (mitzvot in Hebrew) extracted from the Old Testament."**
Go here for the whole list:
https://www.jewfaq.org/613_commandments
3. At the camp, Jesus forgives Mary Magdalene for turning back, while the group receives bad news concerning John the Baptizer's arrest by Herod, distressing Andrew.
 - a. ^{NAS} **Mark 6:17** For Herod himself had sent and had John arrested and bound in prison on account of Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip, because he had married her. ¹⁸ For John had been saying to Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." // Continue reading through [verse 29](#).

- b. ^{NAS} **2 Corinthians 7:10** For the sorrow that is according to *the will of God* produces a repentance without regret, *leading to salvation*; but the sorrow of the world produces death.
- c. The Lord wants your heart: ^{NAS} **2 Chronicles 16:9** "For the eyes of the LORD move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His."
- d. ^{NAS} **1 John 1:9** If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
4. Thomas informs Jesus they struggle with lack of food and the group goes to a synagogue at [Wadi Kelt](#) on Shabbat. // "...a valley, riverine gulch or stream in the [West Bank](#), originating near [Jerusalem](#) and running into the [Jordan River](#) near [Jericho](#), shortly before it flows into the [Dead Sea](#)."
5. In the synagogue, Jesus [heals a man with a withered hand](#) named Elam (Shaun Bedgood), upsetting the Pharisees Madai and Lamech. // Here is a similar Bible account: ^{NAS} **Luke 6:6-11** And it came about on another Sabbath, that He entered the synagogue and was teaching; and there was a man there whose right hand was withered. ⁷ And the scribes and the Pharisees were watching Him closely, *to see* if He healed on the Sabbath, in order that they might find *reason* to accuse Him. ⁸ But He knew what they were thinking, and He said to the man with the withered hand, "Rise and come forward!" And he rose and came forward. ⁹ And Jesus said to them, "I ask you, is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good, or to do harm, to save a life, or to destroy it?" ¹⁰ And after looking around at them all, He said to him, "Stretch out your hand!" And he did *so*; and his hand was restored. ¹¹ But they

themselves were filled with rage, and discussed together what they might do to Jesus.

6. As the group leaves, Jesus permits his hungry disciples to eat and pluck grain. The Pharisees criticize them for doing this on Shabbat, and Jesus references David and the shewbread as he declares himself the Son of Man and [Lord of the Sabbath](#). // ^{NAS} **Mark 2:23-28** And it came about that He was passing through the grainfields on the Sabbath, and His disciples began to make their way along while picking the heads *of grain*. ²⁴ And the Pharisees were saying to Him, "See here, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?" ²⁵ And He said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he was in need and became hungry, he and his companions: ²⁶ how he entered the house of God in the time of Abiathar *the high priest*, and ate the consecrated bread, which is not lawful for *anyone* to eat except the priests, and he gave *it* also to those who were with him?" ²⁷ And He was saying to them, "**The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath.**" ²⁸ Consequently, the Son of Man is Lord even of the Sabbath." // What is the meaning of the words in bold print? _____

NEXT WEEK we will complete Season Two by following this schedule, 6:30 to 8:00:

- **Wednesday, May 31** – Episode 7
- **Thursday, June 1** – Episode 8

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