The Chosen, Season Two

Wednesdays at 6:30

Episode 7: Reckoning

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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 7** from wikipedia as well as my own comments. *Blessings on reading, watching, and understanding!*

- After learning of Jesus's whereabouts from Atticus Aemilius, Quintus sends Gaius to arrest him. // Not in the Bible, but we can imagine that suspicions about Jesus were growing among the Jewish leaders and possibly among the Romans.
- 2. As the group prepares for Jesus's upcoming big sermon [the Sermon on the Mount, Matthew chapters 5-7], Andrew worries bad things will happen. // The Bible does not tell us about such preparation but some good points about sermons are made in this section:
 - Many may gather out of curiosity –
 because of Jesus' miracles, instead of
 having sorrow for their sins and wanting
 to receive God's forgiveness.
 - b. Jesus wants to say something that will personally touch each person. Since Jesus knew every heart, He knew every need. Since Jesus is the Son of God, He knew how to best address every person. (Talking to someone one-on-one is much different from addressing thousands of people, or even 50, at the same time.)
- 3. Shmuel returns to Capernaum with Yanni and asks Yussif about Tamar. // Not in the Bible but we can imagine that concerns about Jesus continued to grow among the Jewish leaders, which finally led them to decide that He must be put to death.
- 4. Gaius detains Jesus and Jesus peacefully surrenders. The disciples lose control as they argue about how to respond. // Not in the Bible. Certainly, things about Jesus are spreading to everyone – Jews / Gentiles /

- Romans. Some are curious, some are amazed, some are concerned. Looking ahead to Palm Sunday, some deeply loved Him, while others deeply hated Him.
- 5. In <u>Jotapata</u>, while seeking information about where Jesus has been taken, Andrew, alongside Philip, encounters Tamar and her healed paralytic friend, Ethan, who offer testimonies of the miracle.
 - a. This testimony is not in the Bible. The man is the paralyzed person who was lowered through a roof, then Jesus forgave his sins and healed him.
 - b. NAU Mark 2:1-12 When He had come back to Capernaum several days afterward, it was heard that He was at home. And many were gathered together, so that there was no longer room, not even near the door; and He was speaking the word to them. And they came, bringing to Him a paralytic, carried by four men. Being unable to get to Him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above Him; and when they had dug an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic was lying.
 - ⁵ And Jesus seeing their faith said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven."
 ⁶ But some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts,
 ⁷ "Why does this man speak that way?
 He is blaspheming; who can forgive sins but God alone?"
 - ⁸ Immediately Jesus, aware in His spirit that they were reasoning that way within themselves, said to them, "Why

are you reasoning about these things in your hearts? ⁹ "Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven'; or to say, 'Get up, and pick up your pallet and walk '? ¹⁰ "But so that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins "-- He said to the paralytic, ¹¹ "I say to you, get up, pick up your pallet and go home." ¹² And he got up and immediately picked up the pallet and went out in the sight of everyone, so that they were all amazed and were glorifying God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this."

- 6. Quintus meets with Jesus and questions him concerning his deeds and actions. Seeing that he poses no threat, Quintus releases Jesus with a stern warning. // Not in the Bible but an interesting conversion.
- Madai and Lamech meet Shmuel and Yanni in Jotapata and inform them about Jesus. // Not in the Bible.
- **8.** Andrew tells Tamar and Ethan to be silent, supported by a disguised Yussif to warn them of Shmuel. // Not in the Bible but we can imagine that tensions related to Jesus were rising.

- 9. Later that night, Jesus returns to his disciples who ask him how to pray and Jesus <u>teaches them a prayer</u>. // Jesus taught His followers the Lord's Prayer:
 - a. The abbreviated version: NAU Luke 11:1-4
 It happened that while Jesus was praying in a certain place, after He had finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John also taught his disciples." And He said to them, "When you pray, say: 'Father, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. 'I Give us each day our daily bread. 'And forgive us our sins, For we ourselves also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation."
 - b. The full version: NAU Matthew 6:9-13
 "Pray, then, in this way: 'Our Father who is in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.

 10 'Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven. 11 'Give us this day our daily bread. 12 'And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. 13 'And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil.'"

The Season Two Conclusion, 6:30 to 8:00:

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The Chosen, Season Three: Watch for an advertisement in the future regarding our watching, learning, and discussing.

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