

The Chosen, Season Two

Wednesdays at 6:30

Episode 8: Beyond Mountains

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

1. A businessman and his apprentice (Luke Dimyan) take advantage of land as they negotiate with the owner. // Not in the Bible. The scene does recall the promise of the land made to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, as well as noting some of the sons of Jacob.
2. Jesus and Matthew prepare the content of the big sermon. // Not in the Bible. The Sermon on the Mount is written in [Matthew chapters 5-7](#).
3. As Tamar joins the group, the disciples continue to bicker amongst themselves. // Not in the Bible.
4. The disciples spread the word of the upcoming sermon and plan for its location [on the mount](#). // Not in the Bible. Where did Jesus preach the Sermon on the Mount? This is a possibility: The site known as the Mount of Beatitudes is on the northwestern shore of the [Sea of Galilee](#), between [Capernaum](#) and the archeological site of [Gennesaret](#), on the southern slopes of the [Korazim Plateau](#).... Other suggested locations for the Jesus' Sermon on the Mount have included the nearby [Mount Arbel](#), or even the [Horns of Hattin](#).¹
5. [Shammai](#) (Ric Sarabia), a high-ranking Sanhedrin member and rival of [Shimon](#), is shocked by Shmuel's and Yanni's reports on Jesus. // Not in the Bible. Notice the complaints / charges against Jesus:

- a. Calls Himself the Son of Man (Dan. 7:13).
- b. Claims authority to forgive sins (Matt. 9:6).
- c. Heals on the Sabbath (Mark 3:1-5).
- d. Eats with tax collectors and sinners (Matt. 9:10).
- e. Has women among His followers (Matt. 27:55).

Regarding those complaints / charges, what are your thoughts? _____

6. Jesus discusses with Matthew the sections of the sermon, such as [salt and light](#) and [light of the world](#), leading to the [Beatitudes](#) as the introduction of the sermon. // The Sermon on the Mount, as recorded in Matthew 5, has this outline in the ESV Bible:
 - a. The Beatitudes
 - b. Salt and Light
 - c. Christ Came to Fulfill the Law
 - d. Anger
 - e. Lust
 - f. Divorce
 - g. Oaths
 - h. Retaliation
 - i. Love Your Enemies

¹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mount_of_Beatitudes

7. Thousands arrive on the day of the sermon, including some familiar faces. // Not in the Bible. The Sermon on the Mount begins with these words:
- a. The setting: ^{NAU} **Matthew 5:1**
When Jesus saw the crowds, He went up on the mountain; and after He sat down, His disciples came to Him. ² He opened His mouth and *began* to teach them, saying,
 - b. The first words: ³ “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” (Read the rest of the beatitudes – *through verse 12*, or even the rest of the sermon – *through chapter 7*, on your own.)
8. Eden reunites with Simon while Big James and John reunite with their parents, Zebedee and Salome. // Not in the Bible as the crowds gathered, but certainly they did gather; we don’t know how many.
9. The businessman and his apprentice, who had helped the disciples acquire the sermon's location, arrive as well. // Not in the Bible.
10. The apprentice meets the disciples once more and introduces himself as Judas [*Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed Jesus*]. // The Bible does not tell us how Judas became one of Jesus’ followers.
11. Jesus walks towards the stage as he begins his Sermon on the Mount. // Jesus will preach through part of the Sermon on the Mount in Season Three,

Episode 1. This is an outline of the Sermon on the Mount:

Chapter Five:

1. The Introduction (5:1-2): The setting of the Sermon on the Mount.
2. The Beatitudes (5:3-12): God's blessings to us.
3. The lessons of salt and light (5:13-16): God's blessings through us to the world.
4. True righteousness (5:17-48): The deeper meaning of the law of God:
 - a. Jesus fulfills the law (17-19)
 - b. Regarding murder (20-26)
 - c. Regarding adultery (27-30)
 - d. Regarding divorce (31-32)
 - e. Regarding vows (33-37)
 - f. Regarding retaliation (38-42)
 - g. Regarding love (43-48)

Chapter Six:

1. Practice without hypocrisy (6:1-18):
 - a. Regarding giving (6:1-4)
 - b. Regarding prayer (6:5-15)
 - c. Regarding fasting (6:16-18)
2. The Christian's concerns (6:19-34): Serving God with singleness of purpose and putting the concerns of His kingdom first are actions that free us from anxiety over lesser things.

Chapter Seven:

1. Warning against judgment (7:1-6): The dangers of judging others harshly and carelessly.
2. Invitation to prayer (7:7-11): The blessings and privileges of prayer.
3. The golden rule (7:12)
4. The two ways (7:13-14)
5. A tree and its fruit (7:15-23)
6. Parable of the two builders (7:24-27)
7. Response to the sermon (7:28-29)

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

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