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Part of Chosen

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Select the spiritual gifts assessment in the middle, then a page will appear asking you to launch the assessment. You'll register and then begin. I will take about 15 minutes and answer questions not as you "think" they should be answered, but rather how it most accurately describes you right now.

This is our fourth message in the series "Chosen" – a series coinciding with our Life Group study on the Angel Studios televised production on the life of Jesus Christ.

Disclaimer from Pastor Chad:

This series is loosely based on the study we're doing on Sunday evenings – but it's meant to dive deeper and cover additional details, building on what we learn together on Sunday evenings. The televised production is Biblically correct but as you realize when you read Scripture – there are skips and jumps, I hate to call it holes, but if you were watching a show with an accurate timeline, there'd be some blank screens in between clips. The writer of The Chosen took what's called artistic license to fill in the gaps yet paid great attention to honor Christ when he added plausible details about the lives of the characters. He added backstories to well known characters and fleshed out other characters who might receive only a passing mention in Scripture. The intended result is for viewers to see the people in the Bible as real people who dealt with the same types of issues we all deal with. For instance, the disciples have family and friends, they have reputations to uphold, they have a sense of humor, and they struggle just like we do. The writer put together a panel of

expert consultants to ensure biblical and historical accuracy in the script. His goal is to help people know Jesus better and love Scripture more!

Scripture

Luke 5:12-13 (NLT)

12 In one of the villages, Jesus met a man with an advanced case of leprosy. When the man saw Jesus, he bowed with his face to the ground, begging to be healed. “Lord,” he said, “if you are willing, you can heal me and make me clean.”

13 Jesus reached out and touched him. “I am willing,” he said. “Be healed!” And instantly the leprosy disappeared.

Luke 5:17-19 (NLT)

17 One day while Jesus was teaching, some Pharisees and teachers of religious law were sitting nearby. (It seemed that these men showed up from every village in all Galilee and Judea, as well as from Jerusalem.) And the Lord’s healing power was strongly with Jesus.

18 Some men came carrying a paralyzed man on a sleeping mat. They tried to take him inside to Jesus,

19 but they couldn’t reach him because of the crowd. So they went up to the roof and took off some tiles. Then they lowered the sick man on his mat down into the crowd, right in front of Jesus.

Luke 5:20-26 (NLT)

20 Seeing their faith, Jesus said to the man, “Young man, your sins are forgiven.”

21 But the Pharisees and teachers of religious law said to themselves, “Who does he think he is? That’s blasphemy! Only God can forgive sins!”

22 Jesus knew what they were thinking, so he asked them, “Why do you question this in your hearts?”

23 Is it easier to say ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or ‘Stand up and walk’?

24 So I will prove to you that the Son of Man has the authority on earth to forgive sins.” Then Jesus turned to the paralyzed man and said, “Stand up, pick up your mat, and go home!”

25 And immediately, as everyone watched, the man jumped up, picked up his mat, and went home praising God.

26 Everyone was gripped with great wonder and awe, and they praised

God, exclaiming, “We have seen amazing things today!”

1 John 1:9 (CSB)

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Psalms 51:7 (NLT)

Purify me from my sins, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow.

Psalms 51:17 (NLT)

The sacrifice you desire is a broken spirit. You will not reject a broken and repentant heart, O God.