

THE CHOSEN

A SERIES AT LIFE FAMILY

EPISODE 2 - SHABBAT

Episode Review

Review the episode using the below questions as prompts.

1. What characteristics of the woman of valor are to be praised? Why? What were your impressions of Nicodemus and his helplessness before the demon-possessed Mary Magdalene?
2. What does this passage say about the value of women in the Jewish household?
3. Read both Exodus 20:8-11 and Deuteronomy 5:12-15. What reasons are given for keeping the Sabbath? What is the importance of Sabbath rest?
4. Discuss with your group how you are observing Sabbath rest during this season. What challenges or obstacles do you face in your attempts to observe the Sabbath? How do you feel when you prioritize Sabbath rest?
5. In this episode, Mary hosts her first Shabbat meal (Sabbath) and Jesus invites Himself into her Shabbat observance. How did that impact you - seeing Mary turn to God and be so welcoming to others? Discuss how Jesus' presence and desire to observe Shabbat with Mary impacted you (especially in light of the "Proverbs 31 woman")?
6. Who is the last person you invited into your life or home for the purpose of telling them about what God has done in your life? What spurred you to do so? What has stopped you from doing so in the past?

Character Review

Explore the biblical references for the highlighted characters in this episode.

- Quintus – a historical figure and Roman soldier, not referenced by name in the New Testament
- Gaius – Acts 19:29; Acts 20:4; 1 Corinthians 1:14; Romans 16:23; 3 John 1:1-14
- Nicodemus – John 3:1-21; John 7:50-51; John 19:39-42
- Matthew – Matthew 9:9; Matthew 10:3; Mark 2:15-17; Luke 5:29; Mark 3:18; Luke 6:15; Acts 1:13
- Mary Magdalene – Matthew 27:55-56; Matthew 27:61; Matthew 28:1-10; Mark 15:40; Mark 15:47; Mark 16:1-9; Luke 8:1-3; John 19:25; John 20:1-18
- Peter – Matthew 4:18-19; Matthew 8:14-17; Matthew 14:28-31; Matthew 16:18; Matthew 26:51; Mark 1:16-17; Mark 14:47; Mark 1:29-31; Luke 4:28; Luke 5:3-11; Luke 22:50; Luke 24:1-12; John 1:25-42; John 1:44; John 13:2-11; John 18:10; John 20:1-9; John 21:15; Acts 1:13; Acts 4:7-22; Acts 5:18-42; Acts 9:32; Acts 10:2; Acts 8:14; Acts 12:1-18; Acts 15:14; Galatians 1:18; Galatians 1:7-9; Galatians 2:11; 2 Peter 1:1
- Andrew – Matthew 4:18-22; Mark 1:16-20; Luke 5:1-11; Luke 6:14; John 1:35-42; John 6:8; John 12:20-22
- James – Matthew 10:1-4; Matthew 13:55; Mark 3:13-19; Mark 6:3; Mark 15:40; Luke 6:12-16; Acts 12:17; Acts 15:13-21; Acts 21:17-18; Galatians 1:18-19; Galatians 2:9-10; 1 Corinthians 15:3-8
- John – Matthew 10:1-4; Mark 3:13-19; Luke 6:12-16; Luke 22:8; John 1:35-39; John 19:25-27; Acts 3:1; Acts 4:3; Acts 8:14