

# The CHOSEN



## March 2 | I Have Called You By Name

In the Red Quarter of Capernaum, Mary Magdalene (Elizabeth Tabish), going by the name “Lilith”, wrestles with her demons. During a tour of the region, Nicodemus (Erick Avari) is approached by Praetor Quintus (Brandon Potter)

demanding help collecting unpaid taxes. Matthew (Paras Patel) deals with the turmoil of being considered a traitor by his fellow Jews. Brothers Simon (Shahar Isaac) and Andrew (Noah James) struggle with their tax debts to Rome. At a centurion's behest, Nicodemus goes to the Red Quarter to perform an exorcism on “Lilith” but fails, leaving him shaken. On tax day, Andrew is unable to pay, but Simon tells Matthew that he has an arrangement with Quintus. Following a suicide attempt, “Lilith” loses hope for her condition, until she encounters Jesus (Jonathan Roumie), who calls Mary Magdalene by name, healing and restoring her.



## March 9 | Shabbat

Mary Magdalene prepares for Shabbat. Matthew validates Simon's claims of negotiating with Quintus. Simon continues to spy on merchants and buys drinks for them and his fellow fishermen, Big James (Shayan Sobhian) and John (George Harrison Xanthis), sons of Zebedee (Nick Sha-

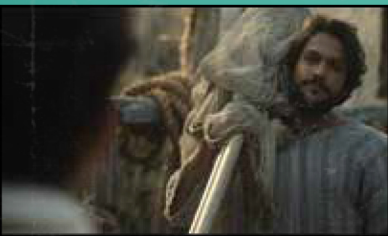
kour). Nicodemus investigates the reported miracle of the healing in the Red Quarter. Simon is forced to fish on Shabbat, leaving his wife Eden (Lara Silva) behind. As Mary Magdalene hosts her Shabbat dinner, she receives surprise guests, including Jesus and his students Thaddeus (Giavani Cairo) and Little James (Jordan Walker Ross). Nicodemus leads a Shabbat dinner with the other Pharisees. Matthew eats dinner with his dog after deciding not to have dinner with his family. Leaving the dinner with Andrew and Eden, Simon is approached by the Romans at the Sea of Galilee to spy on the merchants again.



## March 16 | Jesus Loves the Little Children

Jesus camps on the outskirts of Capernaum in 26 AD. A local girl named Abigail (Reina Ozbay) discovers the location and invites her friend Joshua (Noah Cottrell) to come see Jesus for himself. Jesus soon befriends them, as well as other friends they invite in the

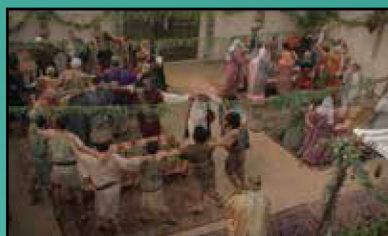
following days. The children help Jesus with His work. Jesus teaches them about love, prayer, justice, compassion, faith, and wisdom. When He is asked the reason why He is here, Jesus reveals himself as Messiah, reciting the words of the prophet Isaiah.



## March 23 | The Rock On Which It Is Built

At the Sea of Galilee, Simon misleads the Romans to save fellow Jews. Quintus suspects Simon of duplicity and sends Matthew to follow him. Shmuel (Shaan Sharma) tells Nicodemus of a baptizer on the Jordan River. Running from the Jordan, Andrew claims

to Simon they are saved, as John the Baptizer (David Amito) has identified the Lamb of God. Simon and others fish, but they catch nothing. In the morning, they see someone teaching a crowd on the shore. Andrew recognizes the teacher as Jesus, who asks to preach from their boat. After the sermon, Jesus tells Simon and Andrew to cast their nets. Suddenly, many fish appear, and they catch enough to pay off their debts. Simon kneels before Jesus to surrender himself. Inviting Simon and Andrew to become fishers-of-men, Jesus also calls Big James and John.



## March 30 | The Wedding Gift

In Cana, 26 AD, Mary helps her friend prepare for her son's wedding. Nicodemus interrogates the detained John the Baptizer concerning signs and wonders. Simon tells Eden that he will quit fishing to follow Jesus. Thomas (Joey Vahedi) and his business

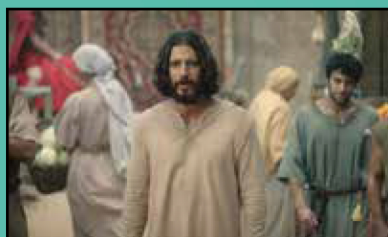
partner Ramah (Yasmine Al-Bustami) prepare wine for the wedding. Jesus and his students make their way to the wedding. Thaddeus and Little James share how Jesus called them. Thomas and Ramah worry as the wine runs low. Mary asks the servants to do everything Jesus says. He instructs them to fill jars with water and they obey and he turns the water into wine. Thomas and Ramah accept the invitation to join and meet Jesus in Samaria in 12 days.



## April 6 | Indescribable Compassion

On the way back to Capernaum, Jesus and his students befriend an Egyptian named Tamar (Amber Shana Williams). Suddenly, a leper (Stephen Hailo) approaches Jesus on the road, asking Jesus to heal him. The group heads to the house of Zebedee and his

wife Salome (Nina Leon). As Jesus preaches, a crowd gathers, drawing the attention of both the Pharisees and the Romans. After witnessing the healing of the leper on the road earlier, Tamar forces her way through the crowd to help her paralytic friend (Noé de la Garza) meet Jesus. Jesus heals the paralytic, and Matthew writes it down.



## April 13 | Invitations

In the Sinai Peninsula, 13th century BC, Moses (Stelio Savante) fashions a bronze serpent, much to the confusion of his assistant Joshua (Advait Ghuge). In Capernaum, 26 AD, Quintus questions Nicodemus concerning the miracle worker. After witnessing the miracles Jesus

did, Matthew struggles to reconcile his mathematical understanding of reality. Meeting with Nicodemus by night, Jesus explains the Kingdom of God and being born again. Jesus illustrates himself as the Son of Man using Moses and the bronze serpent as an example. Nicodemus worships Jesus, declaring him the Son of God. In the morning, Jesus and his students pass by Matthew's booth. Jesus invites Matthew to join them, and Matthew promptly follows.



## April 20 | I Am He

In Canaan, 1952 BC, Jacob (Amato D'Apolito) and his sons dig a well in Shechem. In Sychar, 26 AD, Photina (Vanessa De Silvio), a suffering Samaritan woman, fetches water from Jacob's Well. At Matthew's house in Capernaum, Jesus answers questions from the Pharisees, Jesus de-

cides to go through Samaria, much to the shock of the disciples, especially Big James (Kian Kavousi) and John. When they arrive in Sychar, the disciples go to town to buy food while Jesus stays at Jacob's Well, where he meets Photina, asking her for water. Jesus offers her “living water”, expresses true worship, and announces that He is the Messiah. After hearing Jesus telling her everything she did, Photina believes Jesus is the Christ and tells everyone about Him. The disciples return and Jesus publicly launches his ministry. †

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