

# *First Comments on The Chosen*



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## Season 1 Episodes 1 through 8

I Have Called You By Name  
Shabbat  
Jesus Loves The Little Children  
The Rock On Which It Is Built  
The Wedding Gift  
Indescribable Compassion  
Invitations  
I Am He

## First screen shot of Episode 1

The Chosen (Season 1), Season 1, Ep. 1

I Have Called You By Name

The Chosen is based on the true stories of the Gospels of Jesus Christ. Some locations and timelines have been combined or condensed. Backstories and some characters or dialogue have been added.

However, all biblical and historical context and any artistic imagination are designed to support the truth and intention of the Scriptures. Viewers are encouraged to read the gospels.

The original names, locations, and phrases have been translated into English for anything spoken.

## Suggestions on How to See “The Chosen” – some are free...

<https://watch.angelstudios.com/thechosen>

[https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.vidangel.thechosen&hl=en\\_US&gl=US](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.vidangel.thechosen&hl=en_US&gl=US)

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/the-chosen-jesus-tv-show/id1473663873>

These first few pages are designed to encourage you to watch “The Chosen” – course, it has been out a while and some of you may have already seen Season 1 and are involved in watching Season 2. Will hope this information will be as pleasing to you as it was to me after the first eight episodes!

Before you get too far into this, it would pay to spend some time looking at how Angel Studio gathered the money to produce Season 1, noting they are using crowdfunded resources and doing quite well. The money is there because the product is not only done well, but the stories of the New Testament's eschatological hero are also done well...they have a story to tell.

My few comments are my own and will be different perhaps than other folks – maybe. But I was hooked at the end of episode 1 when Jesus told Mary “You belong to me.” This surprise of having Mary show up so soon as a disciple of Christ was an ear mark for me: “This series is going to be a good one!”

Note how well the kids do with Jesus in the third story...another ear mark!

Note how Jesus in each one of the sessions pulls together some pertinent Scripture and how he works with and cures the leper in session 6.

Note Jesus. Note how he deals with his newly found and newly recruited fishermen – and how he gets them to leave their families.

My three comments are about Mary Magdalene, the Samaritan lady, and the discussion I am looking forward to with anybody who want to talk about the last few minutes of the closing scene in Episode 8.

1. Mary Magdalene joins as a disciple from the first time they leave Capernaum going to Jerusalem.

2. Having seen, like most of you, more than one video and more than one translation of the Lady at the well, this rendering in the last session is a keeper. We see Jesus in a different way. Jesus brings the lady around as painful as it was and she is feisty, not trusting, and not buying into the living water this Jew is selling. One line stands out in the argument about the well, water, and the Messiah. Jesus tells her “I know Jacob.” And he gets a quick Samaritan stare.

3. Of course, the story in the fourth chapter of the Fourth Gospel is THE story. This story holds the first eight sessions together and makes way for the next two seasons. Jesus tells her she is the first one to know that He is the Messiah. “And you know these things because you are the Christ?” And Jesus, with a gleam in his eyes, slowly, just nods his head...it is quite moving...

I will add the Samaritan well script in my next paper for anyone wanting to discuss it.



Where does Jesus say these words?