

# Group Guide



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## The CHOSEN

The Story of Jesus: For Us

### EPISODE 7

#### SCRIPTURAL REFERENCES

- Proverbs 3:5-6
- Luke 6:37
- Matthew 6:5
- Matthew 6:9-13

#### KEY CHARACTERS

**Jesus and disciples;** **Pharisees:** Shmuel, Yanni, Yousef; **Romans:** Quintus, Atticus, Gaius; **Others:** Tamar & the Paralytic

#### The Big Idea:

What is your one BIG idea from this episode? (What captured your imagination most, and what would you first share with someone about this episode and how God spoke to you through it?)

#### Bring to Group:

What quote from this episode was the most meaningful/impactful to you? Why?

### QUESTIONS FOR YOU & GROUP

1. Which characters stood out to you most? Which were most interesting? Most moving?
2. The episode begins with Peter and Andrew, James and John out fishing - because Jesus sent them to do so. The disciples seem to be struggling with whether they will have "enough." How/why do you find it hard to trust Jesus in moments of need?
3. Peter tells Andrew that he should fish because Jesus told them to. "Do as he says or bad things will happen." How does this reveal a sad reality to their thoughts about Jesus at this point in their relationship? Do you ever struggle with similar thoughts? How/why?
4. We see Andrew in this episode consumed with fear and worry. Why?

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### QUESTIONS CONTINUED

5. Jesus' followers were concerned that the Romans and/or Jewish leaders could ruin Jesus' plans. What thoughts do you have about whether their fear was justified? How do we demonstrate that attitude today?
6. Atticus said he'd seen Jesus do miracles but that Jesus didn't strike him as being scary or crazy ... and *that* scared him. What do you think he meant?
7. Why were the Pharisees intent on condemning Jesus at this point in His ministry? Why were the Romans concerned about Jesus' activities?
8. Andrew criticized Mary for leaving Jesus (and them) after she had experienced such radical deliverance. Jesus demonstrates such quick forgiveness to the repentant heart. Why do we struggle to forgive in the same way?
9. Andrew's fear is paralyzing his perspective. Jesus tells him, "You can't just shut down when you're fearful. What will you do when I'm no longer here?" How have you struggled with fear and its impact on your life? How have you seen fear impact others and the church?
10. Jesus' constant calmness (and his modeling solitary prayer) convinces the disciples to ask Him to teach them how to pray. How did this scene impact you?

## QUOTES

**"I can't keep what I know inside."** - *Tamar*

**"Get used to different, brother"** - *Peter*

## RECOMMENDED RESOURCE

- ▶ A frequently asked question about the series is "How do I know what is in the Bible and what creative dialogue or story has been added to help us grasp the overall narrative?" We'd encourage you to consider reading through the gospels - Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. A wonderful way to do this is with the *CSB Christ Chronological Bible*. Visit [dontgo.be/gospels](http://dontgo.be/gospels) for a link to the Amazon page for this wonderful resource.

