

The Chosen – Season 3 – Episode 6

“Rising Tensions”

Episode Passages – Matthew 10:34-36; John 12:20-26; Luke 7:18-33

Study 6

Conversation Starter

Which scene or moment have you really enjoyed the most so far in this season?

Episode Questions

1. In the episode, Simon the Zealot (“Z”) sharpened his dagger planning to take matters into his own hands if need be thinking he was doing it for Jesus. Have you ever taken matters into your own hands “for Jesus”? Explain.
2. In the episode, Mary expresses her feelings about being still broken and feeling like she’ll never be good enough for Jesus. What would you tell a friend or family member who shared that type of feeling with you?
3. When someone talks negatively about Jesus or Christianity, how does it make you feel and how do you respond?
4. In the episode, Gaius and Simon the Zealot are behaving very differently because of Jesus’ impact on how they are doing life. How has Jesus been impacting how you do life recently? How can we remember in tense moments that it’s more about His Kingdom than ours?
5. When John the baptizer was imprisoned, he questioned if Jesus was the Messiah. Do you think it is wrong or even sinful when a Christian’s faith waivers? Why or why not?

Personal Next Steps

- **Renew and Refresh** – This week read 1 John 1:5-9
- **Self-Check**
 - Do you see yourself as valuable the way Jesus sees you? How can you reset your thinking to see yourself more like Jesus does and resist feeling unworthy?
 - John taught Jesus followers to not avoid their heavenly Father when they sin. Are you avoiding time with your heavenly Father because you think you have failed Him or are failing Him? What does John teach us to do?
- **Continuing the Conversation** – As Jesus helped people with their needs, who could you help out with something that your act of kindness could open up a conversation about Jesus?
- **Pray** – Ask your heavenly Father to remind you that you are representing His Kingdom.