

The Chosen – Season 3 – Episode 7

“An Open Invitation”

Episode Passages – Matthew 22:1-14; Luke 14:15-24

Study 7

Conversation Starter

In the episode, the Jewish Holiday of Purim is about to be celebrated. What is your favorite holiday to celebrate? Why?

Episode Questions

1. Have you ever been frustrated with how things are turning out when you have been trying to follow Jesus' ways? How do you handle those times in your life?
2. If Christians share their faith in a respectful and gracious way, how concerned should they be about their listeners' reactions to the Good News? Explain.
3. In the episode, Eden's friends put sentiment into action. Sometimes telling a friend you are praying for them during their difficult time may seem a little empty. What are other ways Christians can show support to someone struggling?
4. When do you think it is “okay” to quit trying to reach a hard hearted person with the Good News of God's Kingdom?
5. In the episode, Simon Peter's faith is challenged in a big way. When your faith takes a hit because God doesn't answer a serious prayer request for you, how do you respond? How do you restore your faith in Christ in those seasons where it is shaken?

Personal Next Steps

- **Renew and Refresh** – This week read Hebrews 12:1-3
- **Self-Check**
 - Jesus does not want His followers to live under the burden of regret and shame. How do you reset your thinking when you are feeling discouraged about poor choices in your past?
 - What are times you can think of where God “stepped into your life” and changed your direction for the better? Are you open to His influence in your life right now? Does anything need to change?

Continuing the Conversation – Who could you share a story with about your faith journey that might cause them to want to know more about Jesus' Kingdom in the here and now?

Pray – Ask your heavenly Father to grow your faith in the areas where you struggle.