

# Guide for Discussion, Reflection and Listening

## EPISODE 4: The Perfect Opportunity



# THE CHOSEN

*Journey with Jesus in a  
whole new way!*

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#### Scriptural References:

-John 5:1-16 -Psalm 69:9

-Zechariah 14:16 -Exodus 20:8-11

-Zechariah 3:17-20

#### Characters

Jesus, 10 Disciples, Mary Magdalene,  
Ramah, Mother Mary, Simon the Zealot,  
Jesse, Shmuel, Atticus, and Caleb

#### Personal Reflection Question:

-What is your one Big Question from this episode? (What captured your imagination and what would you ask God about the events portrayed?)

#### QUOTES:

*"You're not coming back here. That life is over. Everything changes now." - (Jesus)*

*"I know a thing or two about prophecies that sound impossible."  
- (Mother Mary)*

*"I'm not asking about who's helping or not helping, or who is getting in your way. I'm asking about you." (Jesus)*

# Guide for Discussion, Reflection and Listening (cont.)

## Discussion Questions:

1. Which moment stood out to you or moved you the most? Which did you find the most interesting? Why?
2. What do you think of connecting the man healed at the Pool of Bethesda and Simon the Zealot? How might their connection and the man's presence at the Pool of Bethesda indicate his desire to be healed?
3. What was the stated goal of the Zealots? How can someone be so passionate for God and be so wrong as to how to please Him?
4. As you witnessed the disciples' preparation for the Festival of Tabernacles, what thoughts did you have about the significance of religious tradition/heritage? About how Jews experienced God in community? How do we experience our religious tradition/heritage today?
5. Jesus knew who He was looking for at the pool. He went seeking Jesse. Who is the Jesse in your life? Why?
6. Jesus told Jesse the pool had nothing to offer him. What do you find yourself turning to time and again that cannot satisfy/ provide/help you? In what ways do you turn to a "pool" instead of Jesus?
7. The disciples talk about the feast and sleeping outside to be a great leveler of man. The poor, the rich-everyone faces the same difficulties. What did Mary say it was to remind them of and why it is necessary to have that reminder?
8. Put yourself in the shoes of Jesse and/or Simon at the end of the episode taking into account what they said to each other earlier in the episode. What do you think they were each thinking and feeling?