

The Chosen is an 8 session video series on the life of Christ. It is the #1 crowdfunded media project in entertainment history and the first multi-season show about the life of Christ.

## How to lead a Virtual Small Group using the eight session video series:

- 1. **Pray** seek the Lord and ask Him whom you should invite to watch this series with you or if you have an existing group invite them to join in the study. Its also a good time to invite new people.
- Set a date and invite those people to come to join you online for a Virtual Group meeting using ZOOM or other group platform. (see Maranatha Website for instructions and tutorial on how to use Zoom https://maranathachapel.org/growth-group-materials)
- 3. Give people instructions on how to watch The Chosen video series by downloading the app (see below).
- 4. **Minimize Distractions** –During the discussion, do everything in your ability to help people focus on what's most important: Focus on God, the Video and the Discussion.

**Make sure** – **everyone Participates**, (When using Zoom as the host, you can **mute or un-mute** members to guide the discussion and allow everyone to participate in the discussion. You can also allow everyone free reign to speak. Make sure that no one dominates, don't rush through the questions, Input is affirmed and followed up. Build community with follow up questions, asking how other people have experienced similar things or how truth of Gods word has shaped their understanding of God and the Scriptures that you are discussing based on the video.

**Include Others in conversation**– Your goal is to foster community in which people feel welcomed just as they are but encouraged to grow spiritually.

**Keep Connection** – Think of ways to connect with members during the week. The more people are connected to others lives, the more they will look forward to being together. You can encourage others through email, texts and social media and Zoom meetings.

**START:** After you have begun your Zoom session and everyone has showed up in your meeting, then welcome everyone for the first session. Take a few minutes for participants to introduce themselves. Then give them a brief introduction about this 8-week series on the life of Christ.

**Let them know** that each session is around 50 minutes and that you will have a basic discussion each week after the particular session. They should watch the particular session ahead of time before the meeting so they are prepared to take part in the discussion.

Open in prayer asking for Gods blessing as you watch the Video together.

### Following are the questions that you will discuss each week with each session:

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

- 1. What struck you most about this particular video session?
- 2. What character did you most identify with? Why?
- 3. Was there any scene or truth that impacted you emotionally? What was it, explain?
- 4. Did anything in this video make you think differently about God, Jesus or the disciples?
- 5. How might this change the way you live?
- 6. Are there any new truths that you have learned tonight?
- 7. Is there anything that you can take from tonight's video and apply to your life this week?

After your discussion – ask if there are any prayer requests and close in prayer, thanking the Lord for your time together

See also "How to Lead a Group" and how to use Zoom for Virtual Small Groups here:

#### How to Watch

• The Chosen: Season One is available for streaming. Download "The Chosen" app on the Apple App Store or Google Play for Android devices.

• The Chosen: Season One is also available for purchase on DVD and Blu-Ray at TheChosen.tv

• The Chosen is available in English, Portuguese, Polish and also in a dubbed Spanish version with more translations pending.

• The Chosen app is compatible with AppleTV, Google Chromecast, Android TV, Roku, Amazon FireTV, and Samsung Smart TV.

#### **Key Links**

- Official Website—thechosen.tv
- Official Trailer https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XAJdKty74M&feature=youtu.be
- Official Press Kit—press.thechosen.tv
- General App Download Link (mobile only)—thechosen.tv/app
- Search for The Chosen on Google Play and Apple App Store

Follow-Up – Please update us as to how many attend your group and share any break throughs or praise reports. Email us at: GrowthGroups@Maranathachapel.org

# **GROUP INFORMATION**

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