

Session 6- Episode Introduction: Indescribable Passion

The disciples follow Jesus back to Capernaum following the wedding and encounter a leper on the road, witnessing another miracle performed by Jesus. A woman also witnesses this encounter and eventually inspires her to seek Jesus's help. We see word of mouth of Jesus's acts grow in the area as Nicodemus continues his investigation of the truth, resulting in intellectual confrontations with other Pharisees. Matthew also continues his investigation at the request of Quintus, finding more out about Jesus in turn.

Applicable Scripture

- Genesis 49:8-10
- Leviticus 13 1-59
- I Chronicles: 1,7
- Matthew 6:1-18
- Matthew 8:1-4
- Mark 2:1-12
- Luke 12:36-48

Episode Themes

- Compassion of Christ
- Be Cleansed
- Curiosity to Pursue
- Call to be Ready

Episode Review

1. In today's time are there people we might equate with a "tax collector", "leper", "Roman soldier", or "Jewish rabbi"?
2. Zebedee makes a big deal out of figuring out the Jewish family lineage of Jesus, what is the importance of this within prophecy?
3. Does anything stand out to you regarding Nicodemus's and Shmuel's conversation, particularly an individual's perception of the abilities and actions of God? Is there a way today we assign God to a particular box?
4. The friends of the paralytic took extreme measures to get that man noticed by Jesus. What do you think they believed about Jesus?

5. Faith Reflection

6. In the episode, Peter tries to drive Matthew away because he doesn't like him. How do you relate to other Christians who are very different from you? Are you able to show Christians different from you that you are "for" them?
7. How open are you to new understandings of God? When was a time you thought one way about God and then came to a new or different understanding about Him?
8. The "leper" in this episode demonstrated a bold faith. What is holding you back from having a faith like his?

Ministry Application

Do you pull back from people with certain types of brokenness? How can you share with them if you don't engage with them?

Prayer

- Understand that God will do more than we can ever imagine
- Praise for accepting and loving us regardless of our brokenness
- Direction for ministering to new groups of people
- Forgiveness if we have allowed pride to inhibit empathy