

The Chosen, Season Two

Wednesdays at 6:30

Episode 2 – I Saw You

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Note: Some parts are Biblical and beneficial, but other parts contradict the Bible and are misleading. This sheet contains a summary of each part of **episode 2** (52:38) from wikipedia as well as my own comments. *Blessings on reading, watching, and understanding!*

1. In [Caesarea](#)

[Philippi](#), [Nathanael](#) (Austin Reed Alleman) fails in his project under a Roman commission.

- a. See the northern part of the map to locate Caesarea Philippi.
- b. This part is not in the Bible regarding Nathanael (a.k.a. Bartholomew) being an architect and his building project collapsing.
- c. This is what the Bible says about Nathanael:

NAS [John 1:45-51](#) Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found Him of whom

Moses in the Law and *also* the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” And Nathanael said to him, “Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “[Come and see](#).” Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no [guile](#) [*deceit, treachery, fraud*]!” Nathanael said to Him, “How do You know me?” Jesus answered and said to him, “Before Philip called you, [when you were under the fig tree, I saw you](#).” Nathanael answered Him, “[Rabbi, You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel](#).” Jesus answered and said to him, “[Because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these](#).” And He said to him, “[Truly, truly, I say to you, you shall see the heavens opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man](#).”

2. In [Bashan](#), [Philip](#) (Yoshi Barrigas) arrives from John the Baptizer and seeks to meet Jesus, but the disciples are hesitant. Simon is jealous of him as Philip begins to mentor Matthew.

- a. These parts are not in the Bible regarding Philip approaching Jesus’ disciples about seeing Jesus (*it is unknown if Philip had been a disciple of John the Baptizer or not*) and Philip mentoring Matthew.



- b. This is part of what the Bible says about Philip: ^{NAS} [John 1:41-44](#) He [Andrew] found first his own brother Simon, and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which translated means Christ). He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him, and said, “You are Simon the son of John; you shall be called Cephas” (which is translated Peter). The next day He purposed to go forth into Galilee, and He found Philip. And Jesus said to him, “[Follow Me.](#)” ⁴⁴ Now Philip was from Bethsaida, of the city of Andrew and Peter.
 - c. The men quoted this passage: ^{NAS} [Ezekiel 39:9](#) “Then those who inhabit the cities of Israel will go out, and make fires with the weapons and burn *them*, both shields and bucklers, bows and arrows, war clubs and spears and for seven years they will make fires of them.” Those words help us understand the greatness of the enemies of God’s people as well as God’s great victory over them.
 - d. Philip did become one of Jesus’ disciples.
3. A distressed Nathanael sits under a fig tree, reciting a [Psalm](#) and crying out for a response from the Lord. Hearing nothing, he burns his architectural drawings of a synagogue.
 - a. The part about burning the drawings is not in the Bible.
 - b. See [John chapter 1](#) written out above regarding Jesus seeing Nathanael sitting under the fig tree.
 4. Meeting Jesus at night, Philip is called by Jesus. At the camp, Thaddeus advises Matthew, yet tension builds between Simon and Matthew.
 - a. These parts are not in the Bible regarding Philip standing with Andrew when Jesus was baptized by John the Baptizer, as well as their conversation together.
 - b. See [John chapter 1](#) written out above regarding Jesus calling Philip to follow Him.
 - c. The various conversations are not in the Bible.
 - d. *When Matthew is seen taking notes in this episode and others, it is misleading people into thinking it was the notes and thoughts of Matthew and others that eventually became the NT Scriptures, but that is not true.* See these references as written out on the previous study sheet: John 14:26; 2 Tim. 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:20-21.
 5. Philip visits and comforts Nathanael, telling his friend about the one they've been waiting for their entire lives. Nathanael is skeptical but agrees to meet Jesus, who tells him that he saw him under the fig tree and heard his cry. Upon hearing this, Nathanael declares Jesus is the Son of God and the King of Israel.
 - a. This part is not in the Bible regarding much of the conversation between Philip and Nathanael but is interesting.
 - b. See [John chapter 1](#) written out above regarding Philip telling Nathanael to come and see and the conversation between Jesus and Nathanael.
 6. As the group heads to a new city, John arrives with a word that Jesus' fame is growing.

Going Forward: Regarding “The Chosen, Season Two,” we are generally planning to meet each Wednesday at 6:30 to watch an episode, consider my handout, and engage in pertinent discussion. *Everyone is welcome to attend!*

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