The Chosen – Episode 1

"I Have Called You by Name"

Episode Passages – Luke 8:1-15 and Mark 16:6-11

Study 1

Conversation Starter

What were your expectations before watching this first episode?

Episode Questions

1. Do you have a passage that brings you comfort when you are going through a difficult time?

2. Which character(s) has surprised you the most by the way they are depicted in the episode?

3. Do you notice any similarities when you compare people from first century society to people in modern day society?

4. Jesus called Mary by name; it was very personal. When have you experienced Jesus pursuing you on a personal level?

Personal Next Steps

- **Renew and Refresh** – This week read Luke 8:1-15 and Mark 16:6-11

- **Self-Check**

    - Take some time this week to timeline key events in your life where you experienced Jesus pursuing you.

    - Are you currently running from Jesus regarding some area or situation in your life? How can remembering Jesus' kindness toward you in the past, influence your decision making in this situation?

- **Continuing the Conversation** – This episode depicted God's individual pursuit of each person He has created. Who can I share this incredible news with who is outside of my faith community?

- **Pray** – Thank God for His relentless pursuit of you. Ask God to help you see where you may be running from Him. Ask Him for courage to turn toward Him with all of the situations you are currently dealing with. Ask God to give you confidence and the words when sharing about faith in Christ.