

Discussion Guide  
*Sincerely: wk1 Chosen by God*  
December 31, 2023



Big Idea

God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit has chosen & cleansed you.



Icebreaker

Share a time when it excited you to be chosen for something.



Discussion Questions

1. Read 1 Peter 1:1 (NLT). For what purpose does the letter mention “this is from an *apostle* of Jesus Christ”? If you were to share encouragement, or testimony to God, with someone else, on what basis of experience or credibility would you be doing so with?
2. Read 1 Peter 1:2 (NLT). This passage reveals to us the Doctrine of the Trinity. What is this doctrine in your own words? Why is it a powerful, yet difficult doctrine to understand? What are some roles, as you understand them, of the various people of the Trinity?
3. Read Genesis 1. What are some things that make the creation of mankind (vs’ 26-31) special and unique from all else that God created? How may these things personally impact how you, or a person, views themselves?
4. Re-read 1 Peter 1:2. Per this verse, what has God done and/or leading you towards, through His Holy Spirit? Per this verse, what has God done and/or leading you towards, through His Son (Jesus Christ)? What is an appropriate response to all that God has done, and is doing?
5. What are some different ways of living, and/or responding to life, that Jesus empowers us toward, that you need to grow in your obedience to? Why is this important to do; grow in?
6. Read 2 Corinthians 3:2-3 (NLT). In your own words, what do these passages communicate? Have you ever considered who is “reading your life” and “what conclusions they are coming to about you or about God/Jesus”? What are your feelings on their likely conclusions? Is this important to consider/take this seriously; why or why not?



Concluding Question

Who is someone suffering that would be encouraged by your sending of them a personal letter? What is stopping you from doing that? How can you make that happen within the next 7 days?



Application

1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
2. What is something God wants you to do now?
3. Is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?



Prayer As we put one calendar year behind us and enter a new one, would this opportunity (which everyday is) for a restart or fresh start cause us to look back in gratitude and forward with Godly optimism, trusting what He may do in 2024.