THE GOSPEL OF JOHN



Sign: Water to Wine

John 2:1-11 (ESV)

On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. ² Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. 3 When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come."

John 2:1-11 (ESV)

⁵ His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." 6 Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim.

John 2:1-11 (ESV)

⁸ And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. 9 When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom 10 and said to him,



John 2:1-11 (ESV)

"Everyone serves the good wine first, and when people have drunk freely, then the poor wine. But you have kept the good wine until now." 11 This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.



What's Going On?



What Does It Mean?



John 2:3 (ESV)

³ When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."

Revelation 19:6-9 (ESV)

⁶ Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out, "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. ⁷ Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready;



Revelation 19:6-9 (ESV)

⁸ it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure" – for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. ⁹ And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb."



John 2:6 (ESV)

⁶Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.

Jesus used what was in the purification jars to bring life to the party.



John 2:11 (ESV)

¹¹ This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.

One purpose of miracles is to bring glory to God

A second purpose is to encourage belief



- Jesus is the real master of the feast
- Jesus is the real bridegroom.

Ephesians 5:25-27, 32. (ESV)

²⁵ Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, 26 that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, ²⁷ so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.



Ephesians 5:25-27, 32. (ESV)

³² This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.



Zechariah 3:1-5 (ESV)

Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the Lord, and Satan standing at his right hand to accuse him. ² And the Lord said to Satan, "The Lord rebuke you, O Satan! The Lord who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is not this a brand plucked from the fire?"



Zechariah 3:1-5 (ESV)

³ Now Joshua was standing before the angel, clothed with filthy garments. 4 And the angel said to those who were standing before him, "Remove the filthy garments from him." And to him he said, "Behold, I have taken your iniquity away from you, and I will clothe you with pure vestments."



Zechariah 3:1-5 (ESV)

⁵ And I said, "Let them put a clean turban on his head." So they put a clean turban on his head and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the Lord was standing by.



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