## IF MOMMA AIN'T HAPPY... Spectator—Part 1 of 7

**KEY OBSERVATION #1:** The two most misunderstood and misused words in all of Christianity are: **FAITH** and **BELIEVE**.

**KEY OBSERVATION #2:** There is an enormous difference, between **BY** faith, and **BECAUSE OF** faith.

**KEY TRUTH #1:** John left his father's fishing business to **FOLLOW** Jesus because of what he **SAW**, not because of faith.

"30 Jesus did many other miraculous signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. 31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing, you might have life in his name."

John 20:30-31

**KEY OBSERVATION #3:** John realized that these were signs that pointed specifically to Jesus' **IDENTITY**.

• FIRST SIGN: Turning the water into <u>WINE</u>.

"1 On the third day, a wedding took place in Cana in Galilee, way, way north of Jerusalem. And Jesus' mother was there. 2 And Jesus and His disciples had also been invited to the wedding, 3 When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, 'They have no more wine.' '4 Dear woman why do you involve me?' Jesus replied, 'My hour has not yet come.' 5 His mother said to the servants, 'Do whatever he tells you.' 6 Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from 20 to 30 gallons. 7 Jesus said to the servants, 'Fill the jars with water,' so they filled them to the brim. 8 Then he told them. 'Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet,' they did so. 9 And the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. 10 Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, 'Everyone usually brings out the choice wine first, and then the cheaper wine after the guests have too much to drink, but you have saved the best till now.'" John 2:1-10

"Behold the lamb of God who comes to take away the sin of the world." John 1:29

## **KEY TRUTH #2:** This was more than a miracle; this was a **SIGN**.

"This, the first of miraculous signs, Jesus performed at Cana of Galilee. He thus revealed His glory, and His disciples put their faith in him." John 2:11

After this, He went down from Capernaum, with his mother and brothers, and his disciples. There they stayed for a few days..."

John 2:12

"God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son that whoever places their faith in Him would not be lost to God, would not perish, but would receive eternal life." John 3:16

"The Word became flesh, and he made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14

- 31 But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing, you might have life in his name." John 20:31
- "25 I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; 26 and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" John 11:25-26