

JESUS IS LIFE

The purpose of John's Gospel: "Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." John 20:30-31

Seven Signs of John:

1. Turning Water into Wine (John 2:1-12)
2. Cleansing the Temple (John 2:13-25)
3. Healing the Official's Son (John 4:43-54)
4. Healing a Lame Man (John 5-6:2)
5. Feeding the Multitude (John 6)
6. Healing a Blind Man (John 9)
7. Raising Lazarus (John 11-12)

FIRST SIGN:

Jesus turns
water into wine
at a wedding in
Cana
(John 2:1-12)

WHY DOES JESUS DO THIS AS HIS FIRST MIRACLE AT A WEDDING IN A SMALL TOWN?

1. Jesus starts and ends His ministry at a WEDDING

Betrothal Ceremony	Preparation Period +/- 1 year	Wedding Ceremony 7 days
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"And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, 'Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.'" Matthew 26:27-29

"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 19:7

2. Jesus is INFINITELY BETTER

- Why does John record the containers were made of stone?
- Why does John tell us the water was the water used for the ceremonial washing and cleansing?
- Why does John tell us the number of containers?
- How hard would it have been to refill the containers?
- What would happen if they handed the master of the ceremony a glass of water instead of wine?

➤ **JESUS CHANGES US FROM THE INSIDE OUT,
HE DOESN'T JUST WASH THE OUTSIDE** <

3. Jesus STRENGTHENS His DISCIPLES

➤ **GOOD ADVICE FOR EVERY FOLLOWER OF JESUS:
"DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU"** <

YOUR NEXT STEP:

1. Ask God to restore your joy and increase your excitement for the day of Jesus' return.
2. Receive God's gift of eternal life offered freely to you by His grace, through putting your faith and hope in all that Jesus is and all that He did for you.
3. Ask God to strengthen your faith and to help you hear His voice. Then when He speaks commit to "do whatever He tells you".