



APPRENTICING WITH JESUS

a series in the Gospel of John

“Jesus told us explicitly what to do. We have a manual, just like the car owner. He told us, as disciples, to make disciples. Not converts to Christianity, nor to some particular “faith and practice.” He did not tell us to arrange for people to “get in” or “make the cut” after they die, nor to eliminate the various brutal forms of injustice, nor to produce and maintain “successful” churches. These are all good things, and he had something to say about all of them. They will certainly happen if—but only if—we are (his constant apprentices) and do (make constant apprentices) what he told us to be and do. If we just do this, it will little matter what else we do or do not do.” -- Dallas Willard



“On the third day” John 2:1 NIV

“the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory”

John 2:11 NIV

“Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!”

John 1:29 NIV



Jesus' Inaugural Miracle



The Lord of the Feast



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“The Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, a banquet of aged wine – the best of meats and the finest of wines.... The Sovereign Lord will wipe away the tears from all faces; he will remove his people’s disgrace from all the earth.” Isa 25:6,8



Babette's Feast



Sensory Language in the Bible



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“Taste and see that the Lord is good.” Psalm 34:8

“now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.” 1 Peter 2:3

“I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you.” Ephesians 1:18

“may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ,”

Ephesians 3:18



Sensory Language in the Bible

There is a difference between having an opinion that God is holy and gracious, and having a sense on the heart of the loveliness and beauty of that holiness and graciousness. Just as there is a difference between knowing that honey is sweet and having the taste or the sense of its sweetness.

-- Jonathan Edwards



The True Bridegroom



*“They have no
more wine.”*
John 2:3 NIV



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“Woman, why do you involve me?” John 2:4 NIV



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Greek literally: “What to me and you.”



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God as King



God as Shepherd



God as Father



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“Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.”

Rev 21:9



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*“My time has not
yet come.”*

John 2:4 NLT



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John 7:30; 8:20; 12:23,
27; 13:1



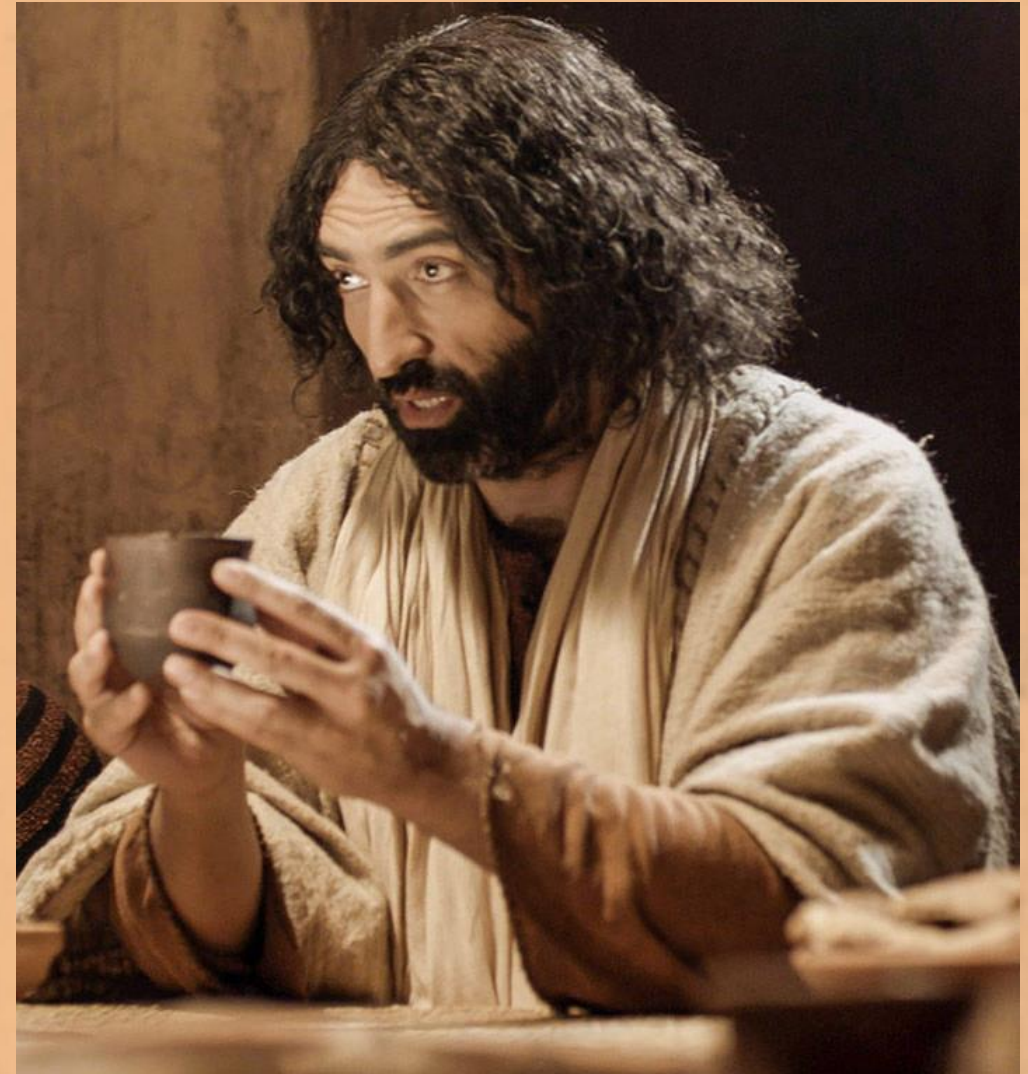
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*“Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.
7 Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water”; so they filled them to the brim.” John 2:6-7 NIV*



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“This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.” Matt 26:28.



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“I pray that you ... may you have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.” Eph 3:18-19

