

You are Never Alone

LESSON 1 – GOD IS WITH YOU IN THE ORDINARY

*“On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. 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 “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.” **John 2:1-5 (NIV)***

Why are we so hesitant to pray for the “small things” in life? Perhaps, it has to do with how we view God. We see him as holy and distant. We do not view him as near and present, involved in our everyday lives, or moving through the world in an intimate way.

1. **God is as near** as our own breath, he is aware of what is happening in our life, in our mind, in our heart, and body.
2. **God is concerned** about the details of our life-in our mind, heart, and body.
 - He is with us even in the highest of highs and deepest of lows.

God wants us to come to him with our request in everything – not just the big things of life.

- A. Let us look at Jesus **first miracle** recorded in the book of John. (John 2:1-5)
John wrote down the miracles that he presents in Gospel not to impress us but to urge us to believe in the presence of Christ.
- B. This miracle happened as a result of an **ordinary problem**.
- C. The miracle happened in an ordinary **setting**.
- D. The miracle involved ordinary **materials**.

- 1) Mary did not worry that the **size** of her request was too small.

*“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.” **Philippians 4:6 (NIV)***

- 2) Mary simply connected the problem with the **provider**. The result was miraculous provision and restoration of what had been lost.

*“Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you.” **1 Peter 5:7 (NLT)***

- 3) Mary’s **demonstration** of faith caught Jesus’ attention. Not only that, but it changed his agenda.

A precise prayer gives Jesus the opportunity to remove all doubt about his love. Our problem becomes his pathway. The challenge we face becomes a canvas on which God can demonstrate his finest work.