RESETTING WITH JESUS

GOSPEL OF JOHN

John 2:1 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." 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. 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, "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. ¹² After this he went down to Capernaum, with his mother and his brothers and his disciples, and they stayed there for a few days.

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- I. The setting (2:1-5)
- II. The miracle (2:6-10)
- III. The significance (2:4, 11, 12)

Application In Community



Welcome: Remember the last wedding you attended? Was it a fun celebration or a drab event? It was fun, wasn't it; at least the reception, lots of food, dancing, perhaps a little wine. This passage (Wedding of Cana) is about a communal celebration. Lifting up a new couple for about a week to treat them like a king and queen; honoring them as they enter a new life together. It's a story about Jesus celebrating with a couple at a common event and then doing everything He can to cover their shame when they ran out of wine (which was a big deal in the Jewish culture back then). Jesus became the behind-the-scenes hero in the story. He turned water into wine, and not just any wine but the best wine. And this is what Jesus intends to do (metaphorically speaking) in your life and through you everywhere that you go. We are called to be like Jesus, cover people's shame and bring the best wine to the party.

How to? Great question, let us discuss this in Home Communities this week. If you are not part of a HC, connect with Tiea Hanson, our Director of Connections. She will be at the Information Desk out in the foyer at the end of worship or you can email her at tieah@gracechurchseattle.org —

Application Questions:

- 1. Read John 2:1-11 what stands out to you as you read it? Discuss.
- 2. Jesus' miracle, what is the significance?
- 3. How can we (Christians) "bring the best wine" to the party, metaphorically speaking?
- 4. How do we do this in this small group community?

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