

## Jesus Turned Water Into Wine

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Just before the formal launch of His ministry, Jesus performed His first public miracle of turning water into wine within the setting of a marriage ceremony to save the couple from embarrassment and reputational damage.

"And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there: 2 And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage. 3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine. 4 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come. 5 His mother saith unto the servants. Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it. 6 And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece. 7 Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim. 8 And he saith unto them. Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it. 9 When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom, 10 And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse; but thou hast kept the good wine until now. 11 This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him" (John 2:1-11).

From this simple story, we learn important lessons that can benefit our lives and achievements, including:

The wedding couple invited Jesus to the wedding - a very good and wise move that later saved them from serious embarrassments.
 When we acknowledge God in all our ways (Proverbs 3:6); and involve Jesus in our plans and programmes, we are making room for divine assistance and miracles.

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father" (John 14:12).

- Jesus accepted the invitation and attended the wedding - a salient reminder that He respected and supported the institution of marriage that was established by God.
- 3) Either due to insufficient provision or more guests coming than expected, wine (a source of joy and entertainment) finished before the end feast was over. This could have brought significant embarrassment to the couple had Jesus not been at the event. Mary alerted Jesus to the problem, and also instructed the servants "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it" (vs 5).
- 4) When the wine finishes in your marriage, family, party, career, home, life, etc. call upon Jesus and do "whatsoever He saith unto you". This is the secret to miracles!
- 5) Although His hour for public ministry hath not yet come (vs 4), He performed a miracle that solved the problem for this couple.
- 6) The obedience of the servants to a seemingly 'foolish command' from Jesus became the channel for the delivery of the miracle.
- 7) The wine from Jesus was better than the previous one provided by the couple and attracted the commendation of the governor / ruler at the feast. Jesus has a better solution to any problem than the one from human source.

Let's come to Jesus for miraculous intervention in those areas of our lives where the wine has finished. He is the same yesterday, today and forever more. Today, He can turn your ordinary water into good wine!

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