

JOHN 2; September 12; Jesus Blesses The Wedding Feast At Cana With Wine

ANALYSIS:

1. What and where did Jesus perform His first miracle?

2. What did the governor of the wedding feast say about the wine?

3. What were the results of this miracle? _____
4. What did Jesus call the temple on this first occasion of cleansing it?

5. When the Jews asked Jesus for a sign of His authority, what sign did He give and how was it misunderstood?

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Many of Jesus' miracles were done to relieve human suffering. However, Jesus' first miracle was done at a wedding feast to minister to human joy and happiness. Jesus shows, at the start of His public ministry, that His religion is not a religion of asceticism, but a religion with natural joy. The lack of wine was casting a shadow over the festive occasion of a wedding feast, and Jesus not only created an abundant supply, but gave them the "good wine" of choice. Jesus turns the ordinary (water) into the rare and blessed (good wine) by His grace, power and presence.

Let us always give the Lord Jesus Christ a place in all our festive gatherings by openly praising Him for all His blessings. He can make the ordinary very special!

HELP:

1. He turned water into good wine at Cana of Galilee (vs 1, 3, 9).
2. Every man first serves good wine, then later poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now [meaning later in the celebrations] (v 10).
3. It manifested Jesus' glory, and His disciples believed on Him (v 11).
4. My Father's house (v 16).
5. Jesus said, "Destroy this temple [He meant His body], and in three days I will raise it up" but the Jews thought He was referring to the temple buildings (vs 18-21).