



Seven Signs

*Week 1: Water Into Wine | Teacher: Libin Abraham
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Opener

If Jesus was invited to a party you were throwing, what would you want to ask him to turn from one thing to another?

Read

John 1:1-3; John 1:14; John 20:30-31; John 2:1-11; 2 Corinthians 5:17; Acts 2:13; Joel 3:18; Isaiah 25:6-9; Mark 14:25; Revelation 19:9

Main Points

1. Art pieces are destinations, but signs are directions.
2. We believe in miracles, we pray for them and we've seen them, and while we believe in miracles, our trust is in Jesus.
3. Jesus inaugurates a new spiritual order that changes everything.
 - a. In the Exodus narrative, the first sign to Pharaoh that God was freeing his people from slavery was turning the water of the Nile into blood. Jesus' sign of turning water into wine was signaling that he was bringing about spiritual deliverance.
4. Jesus is preparing a future wedding banquet.
5. You are not a sinner that God merely tolerates. You are his bride in whom he delights.
6. We are a people living with one foot in this world and the other foot is in an eternal wedding banquet in glory.

Engage with God in a Group

- Why do you think John was intentional to include this sign of Jesus turning water into wine at a wedding?
- As Jesus performed this sign, he was preventing a young, poor, unnamed couple from social embarrassment and shame - what does this show us about the character and mindset of Jesus?
- What is the real wine of your life? What is the source of your joy?
- Have you experienced a time where Jesus' activity in your life was surprising, overwhelming, or stretching of what you thought he was like?
- How might God want to use this story to reveal more of who he is to someone in your life?

Bottom Line

Jesus replaces our lack and shame with his abundance and joy.