

Verse 1-2

“On the third day...”

John shows us a “week in the life of Jesus” at the beginning of His ministry.

Day 1 John the Baptist is Questioned about **who he is** (1:19)

Day 2 John points to Jesus as **the Lamb of God** (1:29)

Day 3 John introduces Andrew and John, Andrew brings **Peter** (1:35)

Day 4 Jesus found Philip, Philip brought **Nathanael** (1:43)

Day 5-6 They traveled to Cana **in Galilee** (2:1)

Day 7 Jesus changed water to **wine at a wedding**. (2:1-11)

This “first week” reminds us of two things...

- The week that God took to create the world “in the beginning”
- The LAST week of Jesus’ ministry that is emphasized in John 12-20.

Don’t miss the obvious!

Jesus went to a wedding... **with his disciples!**

Verse 3

The exchange between Jesus and Mary.

It seems like: Mary **suggests...** Jesus **resists...** Mary **insists.**

What really happens: Mary suggests... Jesus **informs...** Mary **submits.**

A need arose and this was the invitation for Jesus’ first miracle. Miracles point to something greater... but every miracle Jesus performed arose out of a simple human need.

Verse 4

“Woman” is a Hebrew term **of respect**

The Hebrew phrase Jesus used is literally translated “**What to me and you.**”

Here it probably means “Your concern (or idea or opinion) and mine are not the same.”

“My time...” what time? What hour?

Jesus’ was saying that her expectation of what the Messiah would be and his fulfillment would be two different things.

Verse 5

“Do whatever He tells you!”

Mary was saying, “Jesus, do whatever you please... I trust you to do what is right”

Verse 6

6 jars... we’re told three things about these jars:

What **they held...**

What they **were used for...**

What they **were made of...**

Verse 7

“Fill the jars...”

Remember the first principle of God doing a miracle?

GOD INVOLVES **US** DOING SOMETHING **ORDINARY**

“They filled them to the brim!”

Notice how simply this miracle is done. God is powerful... but He is not **SHOWY**.

Verses 8-9

Question: **if you had the power to work miracles... what would be your first miracle?**

The feeling of these verses is that AS they dipped out water... and then it became wine. The miracle happened **again and again**.

Notice who was aware of the miracle being worked. It wasn't the participants... or even the honored guests. It was **The Servants**

Verse 10

"You have saved the best until now!"

The world offers the best first and then once you're hooked things start to go downhill. Jesus does the opposite!

Moses in the Old Testament is a parallel to Jesus in the New Testament. Moses represents the law and Jesus represents grace. The first miracle that Moses did in the Old Testament by the power of God was He changed water into blood. It was a sign of judgment. That's the law. Here's Jesus in the New Testament. The miracle that He does is change water into wine. It's a sign of joy. That's the difference between law and grace, between Old Testament and New Testament

Verse 11

"The First..."

Jesus' first miracle was a **Private** event at a wedding... while His last miracle was a **Public** event at a funeral.

The fact that this was 1ST discounts stories of miracles performed by Jesus as an infant or a child.

"to reveal his glory"

How exactly did this miracle point to Jesus' glory?

1. This was a miracle of **Creation!**

Read the sign! Jesus **Makes Things** !!

Jesus showed that He was Lord over nature and Lord over time.

2. This was a miracle of **transformation!**

Read the sign! Jesus **Changes Things!!**

Like water being turned into a high quality wine, He brings a new a different quality to our lives

How can we experience His wedding miracle in our hearts?

"His disciples put their faith in Him."

Note the different people and how they responded to this miracle:

- Mary **Invited** the miracle (by interceding)
- The servants **Participated** in the miracle (by obeying)
- The steward and guests **Enjoyed** the miracle (by drinking)
- The disciples **Believed** in the miracle worker (they put their faith in Him)