## John 2:1-12 Wedding in Cana – Water Became Wine

<sup>1</sup> On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup> Now both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding.

<sup>3</sup> And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it."

<sup>6</sup> Now there were set there six waterpots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece. <sup>7</sup> Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup> And He said to them, "Draw some out now, and take it to the master of the feast." And they took it.

<sup>9</sup> When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom. <sup>10</sup> And he said to him, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the guests have well drunk, then the inferior. You have kept the good wine until now!"

<sup>11</sup> This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him. <sup>12</sup> After this He went down to Capernaum, He, His mother, His brothers, and His disciples; and they did not stay there many days. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

- After being introduced by John the Baptist, Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee. [Luke 4:14]
- In Galilee Jesus began His ministry at Cana, turning water to wine was His first miracle. [John 2:11]
  - ☆ It was likely a family wedding because the mother of Jesus was involved with the provisions, also, Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. [John 2:1-2]
  - ☆ Jesus was the firstborn son of Mary, and Mary knew very well that God was the Father of Jesus, so when they ran out of wine, she turned to Jesus to solve the problem. [John 2:3]
  - ♦ Jesus was hesitant because His time had not yet come. [John 2:4]
  - ☆ Mothers know how to exert their influence on the children, so Mary said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it." [John 2:5]
    - $\bowtie$  This reflects Mary's expectation that Jesus would do what was needed.
    - □ Jesus had been submissive to the will of Mary and Joseph from childhood to age 30.
      [Luke 2:40, 51-52, 3:23]
- Jesus commanded the servants to fill the six waterpots with water, then draw some out and take it to the master of the feast. [John 2:6-8]
  - $\diamond$  The servants did as they were instructed.
  - ♦ After tasting it, the master of the feast called the bridegroom and said, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the guests have well drunk, then the inferior. You have kept the good wine until now!" [John 2:9-10]
    - □ The master of the feast was not a Christian, but a normal Jew who would have agreed and understood what Jesus had meant, when Jesus said, "no one, having drunk old wine, immediately desires new; for he says, "The old is better." [Luke 5:39]
    - implie My conclusion is that the water was turned into the best of aged wine.

- ☐ Jesus Himself claimed to drink wine which John the Baptist did not do. [Matthew 11:18-19, Luke 7:33-34]
- This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him. [John 2:11]
  - ♦ Looking honestly at the evidence of the things Jesus did and taught is compelling proof to establish the truth of Who Jesus really is, and build confidence in His message.
  - $\diamond$  It was sufficient to convince the disciples who were eyewitnesses of the miracle.
  - ♦ It should be sufficient evidence for us today to believe the recorded report of those who were there as eyewitnesses.
- From Cana, Jesus, His mother, His brothers, and His disciples went down to Capernaum, but they did not stay there many days. [John 2:12]
  - $\diamond$  At the beginning of His ministry, Jesus established Capernaum as His headquarters.
  - They did not stay many days because they were to go to Jerusalem for the approaching Passover celebration. [John 2:12-13]