

**Series "Jesus: God And Savior"**  
**"First Miracle Of Jesus"**  
**John 2:1-11**  
**Part-6**

The turning of water into wine is the first of 35 recorded miracles in the Gospels that Jesus performed.

The 1<sup>st</sup> miracle of Jesus in **John 2** was connected with life's gladdest hour (Marriage) and the last miracle in **John 11** was at life's saddest hour (Death).

**Moses' 1<sup>st</sup> miracle was a plague – turning water into blood (Exodus 7:19), which speaks of judgment. Our Lord's 1<sup>st</sup> miracle spoke of grace.**

The Gospel of John seeks to share the inner meaning – the spiritual significance – of our Lord's works, so that each miracle is a **"Sermon In Action."** **There are 7 Signs in John's Gospel.**

**This Miracle reveals Jesus as The Master of Quality – Changing water into wine.**

**Miracles – Authenticate Who Jesus is – The Messiah, Son of God, Authenticate His Message, And Foreshadow His coming Kingdom!**

**Public Ministry: (3 years) John 1:19-12:50**

**Theme Of John – The Deity of Jesus Christ – "Jesus: God And Savior"**

**Thought Of Our Passage:** "Jesus Is The Master Of Quality. With Jesus, The Ordinary Becomes The Extraordinary."

**1. Verses 1-5 – The Setting**

**2. Verses 6-10 – The Sign**

**3. Verse 11 – The Effect**

**1. Verses 1-5 – The Setting:**

John 2:1

"On the third day" – after the call of Nathanael (John 1:45-51), Jesus had been at the Jordan River by Jericho (John 1:28); John 1:43, distance from the Jordan to Galilee about 75 miles which takes 3 days to travel (20-25 Miles a day, walking).

"the third day" – he may have been giving us a hint of our Lord's resurrection. John 2:19; Hosea 6:1-2

"there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee," – Cana was about 9 miles North of Nazareth.

"and the mother of Jesus was there;" – Mary's name is not mentioned by John in this Gospel.

John 2:2

**Marriage Was By God's Design. It was not man that came up with the idea. We do well to invite the creator to our wedding.**

John 2:3

"When the wine ran out," – Since Jewish wedding feasts lasted a week, it was necessary for the groom to have adequate provisions; Biggest event of their lives.

"Wine" – The word used here for wine is "that which is fermented", Judges 9:13.

Psalms 104:15

Isaiah 55:1

**Rabbis had a saying, "Without wine, there is no joy."**

Ephesians 5:18

"And do not get drunk (intoxicated) with wine," – this would not be walking in wisdom. This would be walking in the flesh; "for that is dissipation," – Literally "an abandoned, or beyond help, hopeless."

It is worth noting that the Jews always diluted the wine with water, usually to the proportion of three parts water to one part wine.

It is of the old nature to get drunk. 1 Peter 4:3

Drunkenness is a sin that will keep a person out of the kingdom of God. 1 Corinthians 6:9-10

"They have no wine." – "Jesus, I don't know what you should do, but do something!"

John 2:4

"Jesus said to her, 'Woman,'" – was a polite way to address her; "Dear woman, Ma'am" (John 19:26); "what does that have to do with us?" – "Why are you getting Me involved in this matter? Or What is it to me and to you?"

**Jesus was making it clear to His mother that He was no longer under her supervision (Luke 2:40-52).**

"My hour has not yet come." – This is a term that Jesus uses many times in this gospel. It would mean the cross. Jesus was on a divine timetable that is ordained by God. John 7:30; 12:23, 27; 13:1; 17:1.

John 2:5

"Whatever He says to you, do it." – This is the best advice that any human can ever give.

## **2. Verses 6-10 – The Sign:**

John 2:6

"Now there were six stone waterpots set there for the Jewish custom of purification," – Mark 7:3-4

"containing twenty or thirty gallons each." – That is 120-180 gallons of water.

John 2:7

God always uses that which is available. Exodus 4:2

2 Corinthians 4:5-7

John 2:8-10

**This is the way of the world and Satan, to give the best first then, after it is gone, you have the leftovers.**

“you have kept the good wine until now.” – Life with Jesus means the best is for later. Psalm 92: 12-14

### **3. Verse 11 – The Effect:**

John 2:11

#### **This Miracle Had 3 Effects:**

- 1. This Sign Was The First Sign – “This beginning of His signs,” –**  
Signs are not merely miracles, “they are miracles with profound meaning, emphasizing the value or significance of the mighty work.” They are to convey truth that would be missed.
- 2. This Sign Revealed His Glory – “manifested His glory,”**
- 3. This Sign Caused His Disciples To Believe In Him – “and His disciples believed in Him.”**

#### **Application: Lessons from “Turning Water Into Wine”:**

1. The Signs Of Jesus Are Important Because – They Authenticate That Jesus Is The Messiah And The Son of God. They Authenticate His Message, And Foreshadow His Coming Kingdom.
2. The Wine Of The World Eventually Runs Out. Through Jesus, We Can Experience A Genuine Joy That Promises The Best Is Yet To Come.
3. Jesus Is The Master Of Quality. With Jesus, The Ordinary Becomes The Extraordinary.