

- IS THIS PASSAGE REALLY ABOUT ALCOHOL?
- DOES IT HELP IN ANY WAY AT ALL TO KNOW THAT JESUS WENT TO A PARTY AND HAD A NICE GLASS OF WINE?



• JOHN 2:11 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

11THIS, THE FIRST OF HIS SIGNS, JESUS DID
AT CANA IN GALILEE, AND MANIFESTED HIS
GLORY. AND HIS DISCIPLES BELIEVED IN HIM.

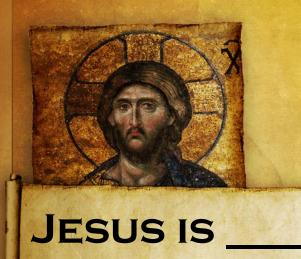


JOHN 2:1-2 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

ON THE THIRD DAY THERE WAS A WEDDING AT CANA IN GALILEE, AND THE MOTHER OF JESUS WAS THERE. ²JESUS ALSO WAS INVITED TO THE WEDDING WITH HIS DISCIPLES.



- SIMPLICITY AND SMALLNESS OF CANA
- JESUS STARTS AT A WEDDING!



JOHN 2:3 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

³When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine."



- WINE WOULD BE A SYMBOL OF JOY, ABUNDANCE, COVENANT
- MARY TURNS IMMEDIATELY TO JESUS FOR A SOLUTION
- WHERE DO YOU TURN WHEN YOU "RUN OUT"?
- NOT REALLY ABOUT WINE, BUT ABOUT CHRIST AND THE FAILURE OF MEN
- FAILED JUDAISM
- JOYLESS RELIGION



JOHN 2:4 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

⁴AND JESUS SAID TO HER, "WOMAN, WHAT DOES THIS HAVE TO DO WITH ME? MY HOUR HAS NOT YET COME."



- WHY IS CHRIST SO ABRUPT HERE?
- IT SEEMS THAT MARY IS TRYING TO UNDULY INFLUENCE CHRIST
- CHRIST WILL NOT BE CONTROLLED BY OR OBLIGATED TO ANYONE
- FAMILY DOESN'T MAKE YOU
 CHRIST'S FRIEND; FAITH DOES!



JOHN 2:5 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

⁵HIS MOTHER SAID TO THE SERVANTS, "DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU."



- MARY HAD SOME FAITH, IS REBUKED, AND QUICKLY MOVES BACK TO FAITH
- GIVE US A REBUKE-ABLE FAITH!
- ''WHATEVER HE SAYS TO YOU, DO IT!''



JOHN 2:6-7 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

⁶Now there were six stone water Jars There for the Jewish rites of Purification, each holding twenty or Thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the Servants, "Fill the Jars with water." And they filled them up to the Brim.



• MARK 7:3-4 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

³(FOR THE PHARISEES AND ALL THE JEWS DO NOT EAT UNLESS THEY WASH THEIR HANDS, HOLDING TO THE TRADITION OF THE ELDERS, ⁴AND WHEN THEY COME FROM THE MARKETPLACE, THEY DO NOT EAT UNLESS THEY WASH. AND THERE ARE MANY OTHER TRADITIONS THAT THEY OBSERVE, SUCH AS THE WASHING OF CUPS AND POTS AND COPPER VESSELS AND DINING COUCHES.)

- RITUALISTIC WASHING BEFORE EATING; EXTRA LAWS!
- THE JARS WERE STONE AND EMPTY/ALMOST EMPTY- COLD, LIFELESS, JOYLESS
- OBEDIENCE WITHOUT LIFE
- THE OLD WAYS OF PURIFICATION ARE EMPTY
- I WILL WASH YOU WITH MY
 BLOOD



- WHAT MATTERS TO ME MATTERS TO CHRIST
- NO MATTER HOW BIG OR SMALL,
 WHATEVER YOUR PAIN OR
 PROBLEMS, IT MATTERS TO CHRIST
 BECAUSE YOU MATTER TO CHRIST



JOHN 2: 10 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

10 AND SAID TO HIM, "EVERYONE SERVES THE GOOD WINE FIRST, AND WHEN PEOPLE HAVE DRUNK FREELY, THEN THE POOR WINE. BUT YOU HAVE KEPT THE GOOD WINE UNTIL NOW."



- CHRIST TAKES THE SIMPLE AND PLAIN AND MAKES IT COMPLETELY NEW AND LIFE-GIVING
- HE DOES THIS TO PEOPLE!
- WHEN WE ARE LESS SATISFIED WITH THIS WORLD, WE AGREE THAT JESUS HAS KEPT THE BEST FOR LAST!



- IS THIS A GOOD GROOM OR A BAD GROOM?
- WELL-INTENTIONED OR NOT, THINGS AND PEOPLE FAIL US
- CHRIST PERFECTLY PROVIDES NEW WINE HE DOESN'T FAIL!



JOHN 2:11 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

¹¹This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him.



- IS YOUR FAITH BUILT UP AND INCREASED?
- ARE YOU THANKFUL FOR THE WINE OR MORE FAITHFUL TO THE WINEMAKER?
- HIS GLORY WAS REVEALED
- WILL WE SEE IT AND BE DRAWN
 INTO FAITH TODAY?



- How will God use me to do a Miracle?
- DO I NEED A MIRACLE?
- JESUS CAN, BY HIS WILL, TAKE
 AWAY MY EMPTINESS AND
 HEAVINESS AND PAIN AND GUILT
 AND PUT LIFE AND JOY IN ITS PLACE



• REVELATION 19:7 (ENGLISH STANDARD VERSION)

⁷LET US REJOICE AND EXULT AND GIVE HIM THE GLORY, FOR THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB HAS COME,

AND HIS BRIDE HAS MADE HERSELF READY;





- ARE YOU READY FOR THIS MARRIAGE CELEBRATION?
- HAVE YOU BEEN PURIFIED BY HIS BLOOD?





March 10th at 7 PM at the Villanueva Home RSVP for childcare
See your bulletin for all the details...

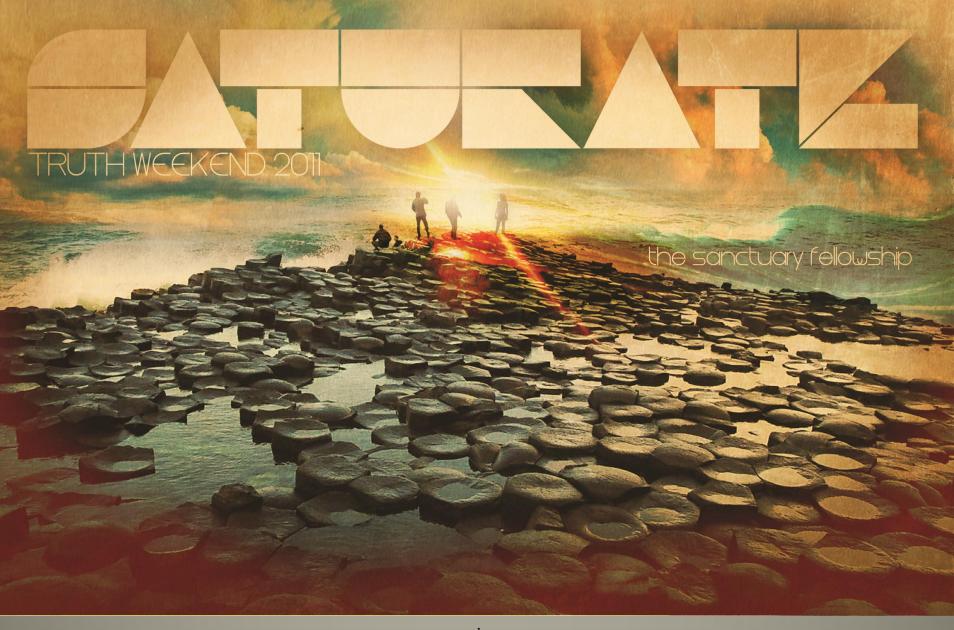


- ****LADIES BIBLE STUDY:** EVERY OTHER MONDAY / GREATWOOD REC CENTER / 7 PM / 3.7.2011
 - ****MOPS:** TUESDAY, MAR 8 **@** 9 AM ~ GREATWOOD CHICK-FIL-A
 - ****LADIES RETREAT:** MARCH 25-26 / COLUMBIA RESORT / REGISTER TODAY / ONLY \$98

School Supply Drive: Bethel Academy

- Pick up the supply list in the lobby
 - ✓ JUST 2 WEEKS LEFT!
- ✓ For more information contact Autumn Tingle at <u>autumntingle@gmail.com</u>





- ◆Truth Weekend ◆ March 4th-6th ◆ 6th to 12th grade students ◆
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