

jenaministries – Part 6 Bible Miracles

1. The First Miracle - Water to Wine

The first miracle Jesus performed was at a wedding reception (**Scriptures 1. Jesus Changes Water Into Wine John 2:1-11**) where he turned water into wine.

Jesus already had a few disciples. These disciples weren't following him because they saw Jesus perform miracles, but because John the Baptist pointed Jesus out to them (**Scriptures 2. John the Baptist Testified About Jesus John 1:29-34**). John had been giving testimony of Jesus for a while and was preparing the way for Jesus to start his ministry. When John saw Jesus at a distance, he pointed to him and told the people around him that Jesus is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world – the one he had been teaching about. That statement John made quickly passed around and caused people to start following Jesus.

That was when Jesus starting accumulating disciples (**Scriptures 3. Jesus Chooses First Disciples John 1:35-43**).

Jesus and his disciples were invited to a wedding. Jesus' mother, Mary, was also there. Something unexpected happened. They ran out of wine and this was a big problem. Providing more wine was not Jesus' idea. His mother, Mary, was the one who got that ball rolling. She went to Jesus and told him they are out of wine.

Jesus was a bit defiant and told her it is not his time yet (the hour has not yet come). But Mary knew he would take care of it and simply told the servants to do whatever he says.

Even though Jesus may not have believed it was his time yet, he still was respectful to his mother and did it anyway. He told the servants to fill six stone water jars with water. Then draw some of that water out and serve it to the master of the banquet. That must have seemed so crazy to those servants. And they may have felt worried, fearing retaliation for serving just water. Thankfully the servants were obedient to Mary and Jesus and did serve the master of the banquet as directed.

After tasting the water turned into wine, the master of the banquet said to the bridegroom "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now". So not only did Jesus turn water into wine, but he turned it into the best wine of the event. Probably the best wine ever made.

Jesus needed his mother's intuition and little push to get his ministry started. There was no turning back once that first miracle was done in public. Once that was done, Jesus knew it was time to buckle up and start doing what he came to Earth as a man for.

So his powerful ministry began.

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Scriptures 1. Jesus Changes Water Into Wine:

John 2:1-11 On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine." "Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim. Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet." They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now." What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Scriptures 2. John the Baptist Testified About Jesus:

John 1:29-34 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is the one I meant when I said, 'A man who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him, but the reason I came baptizing with water was that he might be revealed to Israel." Then John gave this testimony: "I saw the Spirit come down from heaven as a dove and remain on him. And I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'The man on whom you see the Spirit come down and remain is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' I have seen and I testify that this is God's Chosen One."

Scriptures 3. Jesus Chooses First Disciples:

John 1:35-43 The next day John was there again with two of his disciples. When he saw Jesus passing by, he said, "Look, the Lamb of God!" When the two disciples heard him say this, they followed Jesus. Turning around, Jesus saw them following and asked, "What do you want?" They said, "Rabbi" (which means "Teacher"), "where are you staying?" "Come," he replied, "and you will see." So they went and saw where he was staying, and they spent that day with him. It was about four in the afternoon. Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, was one of the two who heard what John had said and who had followed Jesus. The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, "We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). And he brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You will be called Cephas" (which, when translated, is Peter). The next day Jesus decided to leave for Galilee. Finding Philip, he said to him, "Follow me."