

Connect Group Notes

Sermon: Encounters with Jesus: Puzzled Wedding Planner

Reading: John 2: 1-11

Date: 26th April 2026 (AM)

- What have you read in the Bible recently that has encouraged or challenged you?
- What answers to prayer have you seen?
- Have you had any opportunities to talk to someone about the Lord?

Spend a few minutes sharing personal prayer requests and then pray together.

Read John 2:1-11

1. What other significant events in the Bible take place on 'the third day'? (Have a look at one or two of the following verses, for example: Genesis 22:4; Exodus 19:10-11; Numbers 19:11-12; Hosea 6:2; Matthew 16:21)
2. What picture does this passage paint for us of the Lord Jesus? (Think about both the setting and the result of His miracle). Does this correct a wrong view we might sometimes have of God's attitude to having fun?
3. How do Mary and the servants respond to Jesus? What can we learn from them about our own response to Him in our lives?
4. The miracle takes place at a wedding. What other wedding is talked about in the Bible? (See Revelation 19:7-9). Do you think this helps us to understand Jesus' miracle of transformation?
5. Think about the six stone water jars in verse 6. What were they used for? What is the significance of wine throughout the Bible (Mark 14:24-25) and what does this therefore tell us about the effect of Jesus' death?
6. With this in mind, what does John mean when he tells us that this miracle revealed Jesus' glory? What kind of glory is he talking about? (John 12:23-24)
7. 'You have saved the best till last' (verse 10). In what sense is this always true for the Christian?

Prayer

- What encouragements or challenges have you found personally in this passage? Pray about them now.
- Pray for any you know in the church family who are struggling at the moment, that the wonderful future ahead of us will encourage them.
- Please pray for the appointments of Music Minister and Seniors Pastor.