Who is Jesus?

John 2:1-11

One Couldn't Help but Ask...

- 1. In verse 4, Jesus says, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." What is the significance of Jesus calling her "woman" instead of "mother"?
 - 1. Is this a sign of a normal child's progression to manhood since Jesus is now about 30?
 - 2. Is this different than what we might expect today?
- 2. In verse 8, Jesus says, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.". Explain how these servants thought about Jesus when they knew the pots were filled with water and they took the contents of the pots to the "master of the feast". Hint: What would have happened to the servants if they had delivered water? Do you think any of the servants questioned their actions?
- 3. What is the correlation to the old testament in verse 10 when the bible says, "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."? In other words, how does this thought translate into an analogy of Old Testament (pre-Jesus) thinking to today's relationship with God through Jesus?
- 4. In verse 11, the bible states, "And his disciples believed in him." This was after the servants delivered the water turned into wine and the master of the feast was greatly satisfied. Did the disciples have less belief or faltered belief in Jesus before this?

Takeaways

- 1. Faithfully walk as Jesus commands and trust Him to reveal His plan for your life. Just as He included the wedding servants in HIs first miracle and blessed them with the knowledge of where the best of the wine came from, so He will reward all who chose to serve Him.
- 2. The scripture shows that Jesus' involvement in your life during His days on earth was something to be sought. His presence was one of joy and gracious assurance that all would be well. But our current mores and folkways suggest that to follow Him means compromising our wishes for something of lesser value not realizing that our course without Him leads to eternal suffering.
- 3. Jesus, gift of grace and mercy is the same today as it was then and just as trust and faith were rewarded then, the same is true today. He does not need us to complete His plan but will gratefully use us if He chooses and we are willing.

Notes

- 1. Jesus being invited to the wedding means that he was always welcome and accepted among those having a good time. Jesus' presence did not diminish people's joy.
- 2. Jesus began this miracle by using what was at hand. He could have supplied more wine any number of ways, but He started with what was there. The servants under the direction

of Jesus were in a unique place of blessing for this miracle. Jesus wanted the cooperation of men in this miracle. He could have filled the pots Himself, or just as easily created the liquid in the pots. But He knew that if the servants shared in the work, then they also shared in the blessing.

- 3. We could say that the water is like a relationship with God under the Old Covenant, and the wine is like a relationship with God under the New Covenant.
 - 1. The wine was *after* the water, and the New Covenant is *after* the Old Covenant.
 - 2. The wine was *from* the water, and the New Covenant is *from* the Old Covenant.
 - 3. The wine was *better* than the water; and the New Covenant is *better* than the Old Covenant.