My Jesus, Our Jesus, Your Jesus? (John 2) Pastor Deric

- (1) On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. (2) Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. (3) When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." (4) And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." (5) His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." (6) Now there were six stone water jars there for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. (7) Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. (8) And he said to them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the feast." So they took it. (9) When the master of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom (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." (11) This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory. And his disciples believed in him. (12) After this he went down to Capernaum, with his mother and his brothers and his disciples, and they stayed there for a few days.
- (13) The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. (14) In the temple he found those who were selling oxen and sheep and pigeons, and the money-changers sitting there. (15) And making a whip of cords, he drove them all out of the temple, with the sheep and oxen. And he poured out the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables. (16) And he told those who sold the pigeons, "Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a house of trade." (17) His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." (18) So the Jews said to him, "What sign do you show us for doing these things?" (19) Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." (20) The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?" (21) But he was speaking about the temple of his body. (22) When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they believed the Scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.
- (23) Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. (24) But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people (25) and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man. [John 2:1-25 ESV]

Practical Application

- 1. Jesus loves weddings, marriage, family, and celebrations.
- 2. God created celebrations, parties, happiness, joy, delight, pleasure, and goodness.
- 3. Have you invited Jesus into every area of your life?
- 4. The best way to live is to do whatever Jesus tells you to do, and to live exactly how He wants you to live.
- 5. Drinking wine is not a sin, but getting drunk with wine or anything else is always a sin.
- 6. Jesus can work miracles. Jesus can change water into wine. Jesus has authority over all creation (nature).
- 7. Jesus can provide for us in abundance, overflow, and excess.
- 8. God saved the best for last; and the best is Jesus. Jesus is the best "wine," he is the new "wine."
- 9. The signs, wonders, and miracles of Jesus show us who He is (God) and what He can do.
- 10. Have you seen Jesus' glory? Have you put your trust in Him? Are you trusting Him today?
- 11. We can't live in sin forever, we will eventually be found out.
- 12. Jesus is angered when people abuse power to take advantage of people, especially when they use spirituality/religion to do it.
- 13. Are you angered by what anger's God? Do you know the difference between righteous and unrighteous anger?

- 14. God's house is to be a house of prayer and not a den of robbers/trade. What characterizes your life (body/temple?
- 15. How do you lovingly stand up for justice?
- 16. What are you most zealous for, passionate about, and emotional toward?
- 17. Jesus can do in three days what we could never do in years, a lifetime, or even eternity.
- 18. Jesus is the true temple. Jesus is where we meet with God. Jesus is where we experience the presence of God.
- 19. Jesus overcame satan, sin, the Fall, death, and all evil in His life, death, and resurrection.
- 20. Trust in Jesus and trust in His Word (The Scriptures/Bible).
- 21. Jesus knows people, you, and me better than we know ourselves.
- 22. Jesus can give us wisdom and discernment about who to trust, who not to trust, and how much to trust.

Announcements

- 1. We will have service next Sunday on Christmas morning at 10:30am! It will be a family friendly service.
- 2. This Wednesday night we will have a special one week seminar entitled "GriefShare: Surviving the Holidays." This seminar is especially for people who are grieving a loved one's death. You'll learn how to deal with the many emotions you'll face during the holidays, what to do about traditions and other coming changes, helpful tips for surviving social events, and how to discover hope for your future. If you or someone you know has experienced loss please join us (6:30-8pm).
- 3. For the next few weeks we will be accepting Deacon Nominations. You can nominate men you believe live out the standards found in 1 Timothy 3:8-13. Place their name in the offering bucket or tell a current deacon or Pastor Deric.
- 4. Please let us know of needs in our church family that you know of that our men's ministry help with in the new year.
- 5. Be praying for our Men's Ministry (January 8, 11:45-1:00pm) and Small Group Ministry (January 14, 5:00-6:30pm).
- 6. Hope Mountain Youth: The Christmas Party was rescheduled for this Wednesday at 6pm.