

WEDDING FEAST AT CANA

John 2.1-13 // June 14, 2020

SHIFTING ROLES

Cana is a town 8 miles from Nazareth, and it seems that Jesus' family knew the folks being married. Mary, Jesus' mother, takes it upon herself to solve the problem of the wine shortage. His response seems shocking, as He addresses her as "woman," and asks her, "what does this have to do with Me?"

Mary must no longer look to Him
and expect Him to be her physical provider.
She must now learn to trust Him
and submit to Him as her eternal Savior.

John 19.26, 27

NO CUTS

Jesus now performs His first miracle, which John calls "signs," as these don't just demonstrate His power, but also point and "signify" something specific about Him. This sign has at least two significances:

1. The water of purification that the Jews used, even filled to the brim, could never be enough to cleanse and purify. Even Mary does not get any "special access" or get to go to the "front of the line" because of who she is. No amount of self-purification can garner any more acceptance from God.

Galatians 2.21

BECOMING THE BEAUTIFUL BRIDE

Psalms 10.18, 82.3, 4 // Ezekiel 36.25-29

Jesus didn't come to make bad people good.
But to make dead people alive.

-Ravi Zacharias

2. It is no mistake that this sign occurs at a wedding feast. The Son of God came to the earth on a specific mission to receive His bride. But before receiving her, she must be purified because of her sinful unfaithfulness. No amount of her self-purification could be enough, however, and she must only be purified by the atoning power of the wine of His blood.

NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Colossians 1:13-14

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **John 2.1-13**. What stands out in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

How does this "sign" give us a fantastic synopsis or "object lesson" for the Good News of the work of Jesus?

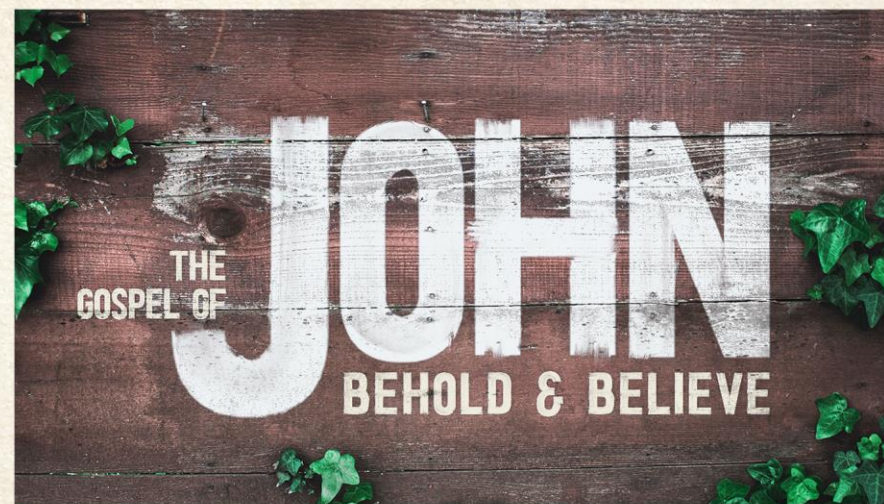
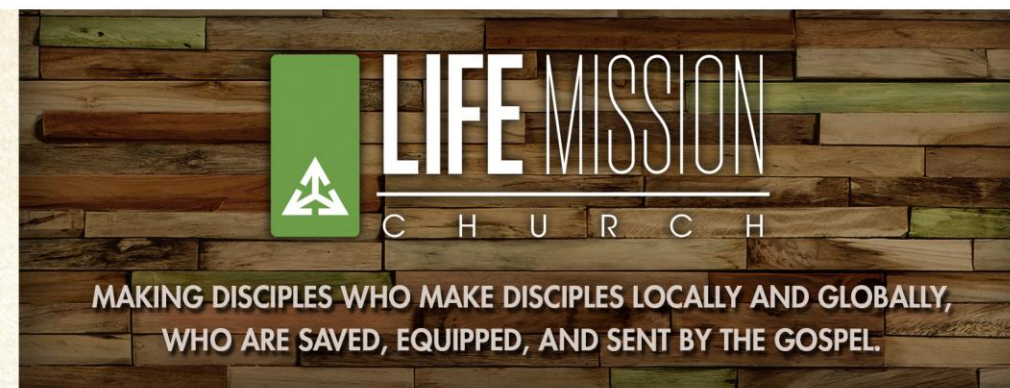
Repent and Ask for Provision

We tend to make attempts at "self-purification" all day long. Shallow apologies, quick and empty "repentance," behavior change, or the pursuit of particular moral strengthening. Often, we neglect the work and power of the transforming nature of the Gospel working in us to transform us and renew our minds. In what ways do you think you often put your trust or identity and standing with God in these self-purification rituals?

Your Life Mission

In an increasingly volatile, complex, and hurting world, we want to be a part of change. And we should! After all, we weren't "raptured" away right when we were born again to enter into eternal bliss, but we were left here! And it's for a purpose! What conversations and opportunities will you be seeking out this next week or two that you would like prayer for so that you can point people away from "the water cisterns" and towards the transforming power of the wine of Jesus' blood?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love. Make sure to end your time of prayer **Yielding with Thanksgiving** for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



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