



# Jesus' First Miracle

John 2:1-11

## GATHERING

- **Opening Prayer**
- **Evening Song** "Turn, Turn, Turn" [[http://www.lyricsfreak.com/b/byrds/turn+turn+turn\\_20026419.html](http://www.lyricsfreak.com/b/byrds/turn+turn+turn_20026419.html)]

To Everything (Turn, Turn, Turn); There is a season (Turn, Turn, Turn);  
And a time to every purpose, under Heaven

A time to gain, a time to lose; A time to rend, a time to sew;  
A time for love, a time for hate; A time for peace, I swear it's not too late

- **Hear the Story...**

## READING

- **Read Text aloud [standing, sitting, walking – but don't go far away]**
- **Re-read silently and consider the questions that follow...**

## RESPONDING

- **How/why did Jesus' mother expect him to help when they ran out of wine at the wedding?**
- **Why do you suppose Jesus was reluctant to do this?**
- **What does this event symbolize?**

## SHARING

- **Has someone ever asked something of you when you were reluctant to get involved? What happened?**
- **Have you ever had 'water' turned into 'wine' in your life?**

## CLOSING

- **Grace/Benediction**

John 2:1-112:1

Three days later, there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee and Mary,  
[the mother of Jesus was there;

[Jesus was invited and]

the disciples had likewise been invited to the celebration.

3 At a certain point, the wine ran out, and Jesus' mother told him,  
"They have no wine."

4 Jesus replied,

"What does that have to do with me? My hour has [not] yet come."

5 She instructed those waiting on tables,

"Do whatever he tells you."

6 As prescribed for Jewish ceremonial washings,

there were six stone water jars on hand,

each one holding between fifteen and twenty-five gallons.

7 "Fill those jars with water,"

Jesus said, and the servers filled them to the brim.

8 "Now," said Jesus,

"draw some out and take it to the caterer."

They did as they were instructed.

9 The caterer tasted the water—which had been turned into wine—

without knowing where it had come from;

the only ones who knew were those who were waiting on tables,  
since they had drawn the water.

The caterer called the bride and groom over and remarked,

"People usually serve the best wine first;

then, when the guests have been drinking a while,  
a lesser vintage is served.

What you've done is to keep the best wine until now! "

11 Jesus performed this first of his signs at Cana in Galilee;

in this way revealed his glory, and the disciples believed in him.