

John 2

John 2: 1-11 The First Miracle.

John 2 :1 A wedding celebration. Mary, Jesus' mother was there. Probably a family occasion.

2 :2 Other invited guests – Jesus and His disciple band.

2: 3 Mary speaks to Jesus “No more wine”. She expects Him to do something about this embarrassment. She obviously believed that He was able to do something.

2: 4 A gentle reproof. He had come to do His Father's will in His Father's good time.

2: 5 Mary says to the servants “Do whatever He tells you”. The best possible advice she could give.

2: 6-9 The water turned into wine.

2: 10 Contrary to what was common, the best was kept until last.

2: 11 He thus revealed His glory. That He was The Son of God. The disciples believed in Him. Their weak faith was confirmed and strengthened.

John 2: 12-25 Jesus clears the temple.

2: 12 The group moves on to Capernaum.

2: 13 Passover time. When the Jews remembered that God had delivered them from slavery in Egypt.

2: 14 In the temple courts in Jerusalem Jesus found a market.

2: 15 He drove them all out with righteous anger.

2: 16 The temple was where people worshipped God. This was an insult.

2: 17 Disciples remember a prophesy from Psalm 69:9 now being fulfilled.

2: 18 Jewish leaders ask for a sign to prove His authority. A foolish request. They had just witnessed a sign. They should have been ashamed of their actions, confessed their sins and asked for forgiveness.

2: 19-22 Our Lord gives them a sign.

The temple signifies the Dwelling Place of God. “Destroy this temple”, that is His body, “I will raise it in three days”. He was referring to His death and resurrection. They took His words

literally as referring to the material temple. The disciples recalled His words when they were fulfilled.

2: 23-25 People in Jerusalem were so impressed by the miracles He performed that they were convinced that He was the Saviour/Deliverer they hoped for, but although they professed to trust Him, He did not trust them because He knew their hearts. Theirs was not the full heart's trust in Him which is the gift of God the Holy Spirit.