

Prayer for Illumination

Word of God, speak! Grab our attention; help us listen. Change the waters of our humanity into the wine of Your glory. Amen

Psalms 36:5-10 *Feasting on Abundance*

Your love, LORD, reaches to the heavens, Your faithfulness to the skies.

Your righteousness is like the highest mountains, Your justice like the great deep.

You, LORD, preserve both people and animals.

How priceless is Your unfailing love, O God! People take refuge in the shadow of Your wings.

They feast on the abundance of Your house; You give them drink from the river of delights.

For with You is the fountain of life; in Your Light we see Light.

Continue Your love to those who know You, Your righteousness to the upright in heart.

Amen

John 2:1-11 *A Mother puts her Son on the Spot*

On the third day a wedding took place in Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, and Jesus and His disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to Him, "They have no more wine".

"Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come".

Jesus' mother said to the servants, "Do whatever He tells you".

Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.

Then Jesus told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet".

They did so, and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew.

Then the master called the bridegroom aside and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now".

What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which He revealed His glory; and His disciples believed in Him.

Amen