# ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE

## Water into Wine John 2:1-12

#### The Main Idea

#### God takes what is filthy and does not just make it better; He makes it into a new creation. Have you been made new?

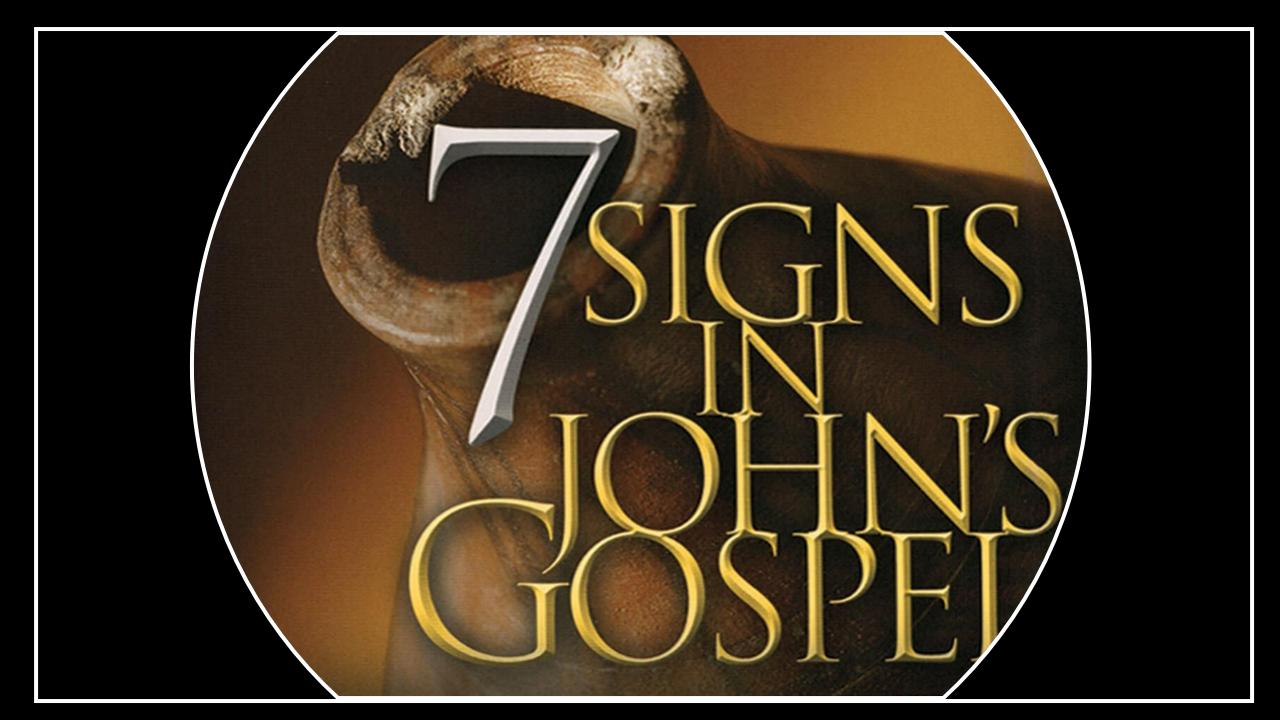
1 On the third day there was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Jesus also was invited to the wedding with his disciples. 3 When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." 4 And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells

<u>you."</u>

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.



#### Seven Signs in John's Gospel

- The seven signs of the Gospel of John include:
  - Water turned to wine (John 2:1-11)
  - Healing of the nobleman's son near death (John 4:46-54)
  - Healing of the lame man at the pool (John 5:1-17)
  - Feeding of the five thousand (John 6:1-15)
  - Walking on the water (John 6:16-21)
  - Healing of the man born blind (John 9:1-41)
  - Raising of Lazarus from the dead (John 11:1-47)

#### Seven Signs in John's Gospel

- A miracle is something that occurs that is beyond natural explanation
- Fast balls hittable & life on earth is not random
- Jesus didn't perform miracles for show
- His purpose was to
  - Point people to the truth
  - Demonstrate His authority as the Son of God
  - Identify Himself as the Messiah

#### Seven Signs in John's Gospel

- Jesus' miracles
  - Met people's needs
  - Showed God's mercy & love towards His creation
- Many people witnessed Jesus' miracles but could not see the truth
- God continues to do miraculous things in our world
- Chalk boards

- Jesus helped a humble family in an emergencies of daily living
- Sympathy with the "little" disasters of daily life which cause
  - Unhappiness
  - Shame
  - Embarrassment
  - Sense of inferiority

- Mary told servants to do what Jesus said
- Servants obeyed
- When we pray true faith expects God to do something
- We need to be looking for action in faith
- The actual miracle comes entirely from God
- Our Lord works in His own way; our part is to obey Him

- Jesus simply instructed that preparations be made
- When He was obeyed, everyone experienced His creative power & was fully satisfied
- We must obey God's instructions (voice) if we wish to be to experience His power
  - Forgive
  - Cheerful giver
  - Make disciples
  - Be baptized

- Weddings are important to Jesus
- Bible begins & ends with weddings
- Jesus is the Church's bridegroom
- The Church is in a covenant relationship with Jesus
- Jesus paid the cost of the wedding

### Communion

Remembering His sacrifice.

#### Questions

- Have you ever experienced a miracle?
- What's stopping you from surrendering to Jesus & being more obedient?
- How would you explain to someone that Jesus changing the dirty water into wine is like what He does for us?
- How is the covenant between God & His church different from a contract?
- How does that contrast to the old & new covenants underscore the fact that Jesus is the only way to God?

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