

# JOHN

## ***BELIEVE***

### *"A Wedding, Wine, and A Kingdom"*

**INTRO:** *In today's passage of study, Jesus performs His first miracle at a wedding. Why? Did the miracle hold any significance beyond helping the groom avoid embarrassment? Yes, in a BIG way.*

**I. The Jews expected a Messianic \_\_\_\_\_.**

*The Old Testament promised an eternal Kingdom, ruled by God's anointed (Cf. 2 Sam. 7:16; Psalm 2:6,12; Isa. 9:6-7).*

**II. Jesus promised to confirm His identity as the Messianic King with \_\_\_\_\_.**

*The "greater things" Jesus promised Nathaniel (1:50-51) would confirm Jesus' identity as the lone mediator between God and Man (Cf. 1 Tim 2:5).*

**III. Seek the *future* Messianic \_\_\_\_\_ but be \_\_\_\_\_ *now* by the Messiah who will establish it (2:1-11).**

*Seeking the **future** Kingdom is what Jesus preached (Matthew 6:33) but being spiritually clean can happen **now**.*

**A. The Messianic \_\_\_\_\_ is present where the \_\_\_\_\_ is.**

*Jesus supplying wine at a wedding banquet symbolized the Messianic Kingdom's presence (Cf. Isa. 25:6; Joel 3:18; Amos 9:13; Rev. 19:7-9).*

**B. \_\_\_\_\_ is available *now* through the Messiah's \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Jesus replaced the water with wine to show that religious attempts at spiritual cleanliness were being replaced with what He alone provides.*