

MIRACLES OF JESUS

John 2:1-16; John 4:46-54.

LESSON 28 — Primary Course

MEMORY VERSE: “Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it” (John 2:5).

TEXTS:

John 2:1-16;

1 And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:

2 And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.

3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.

4 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come.

5 His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it.

6 And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece.

7 Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim.

8 And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it.

9 When the ruler of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the feast called the bridegroom,

10 And saith unto him, Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good wine until now.

11 This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

12 After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples: and they continued there not many days.

13 And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem,

14 And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting:

15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;

16 And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise.

John 4:46-54.

46 So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, where he made the water wine. And there was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum.

47 When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judaea into Galilee, he went unto him, and besought him that he would come down, and heal his son: for he was at the point of death.

48 Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe.

49 The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, come down ere my child die.

50 Jesus saith unto him, Go thy way; thy son liveth. And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way.

51 And as he was now going down, his servants met him, and told him, saying, Thy son liveth.

52 Then enquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him.

53 So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house.

54 This is again the second miracle that Jesus did, when he was come out of Judaea into Galilee.

Preparation for Work

Jesus had been preparing to do the work He had come to this world to do. He had been baptized by John, not because He needed to be baptized, but because He did everything that the Word of God told those who loved Him to do. God was pleased with what Jesus was doing, for He spoke out of Heaven and said: “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased” (Matthew 3:17).

When the wicked one had tried to get Jesus to do wrong, when He was in a place where there was no food and He had eaten nothing for forty days, Jesus did not obey what the wicked one said. He obeyed only what God said.

A Christian's Joys

Jesus is willing to help us in our sickness and troubles, but He is also with us when we are happy. He wants people to be happy. He came that we might be glad forevermore. People who love Jesus and do what He tells them to do are always happy.

God has given us many things to enjoy. He made the sky a beautiful blue, the clouds soft and white; He gave us green trees, green grass, and lovely flowers of many colours. God has given us the singing of birds, and the sweet sounds of music. All these things were given us for our happiness.

Good Friends

Besides our loving parents and brothers and sisters, God has given us kind friends. We all love to have friends to be with us when we are in trouble, and also when we are happy. We read in the Bible that Jesus had loving friends, too. He had no home of His own, but we read that He sometimes stayed in the home of His friends — Mary, Martha, and Lazarus. We read, also, that He was invited to people's homes to eat; and, perhaps, He went there knowing that He would have a chance to talk to them about God.

One time He was invited to a wedding in Cana. Cana was not far from His hometown. Perhaps the people in that home where the wedding was were His relatives. Jesus and His mother and His disciples were there.

Before they were through eating and drinking, Jesus' mother came to Him and said that they had no more wine to give the people. We do not believe that the wine they had there was the kind that makes people drunk. Almost everyone likes grape juice. God gave us the grapes with the delicious juice in them, but people sometimes spoil it by letting the juice become sour and so bad that it make people drunk.

Mary told the servants to do just what Jesus said. She seemed to know that Jesus had the power to do anything He wanted to do. When Jesus tells us to do a thing we should do it just as He tells us to do it, and do it as soon as possible. They filled the big jars with water. Then Jesus turned the water into such a sweet drink that a man said they had kept the best wine until last. This was the first thing Jesus did that showed the disciples and His friends that He was very powerful.

QUESTIONS

1. What did the mother of Jesus say to the servants? John 2:5.
2. Did the servants know who made the water into wine? John 2:9.
3. Was it good wine that Jesus made? John 2:10.
4. What did Jesus do to those who were selling things in the Temple? John 2:15.
5. What is one important thing to remember when we go to church? Luke 19:46; I Timothy 3:15.

LESSON RESOURCES

Music:

Jesus Never Fails

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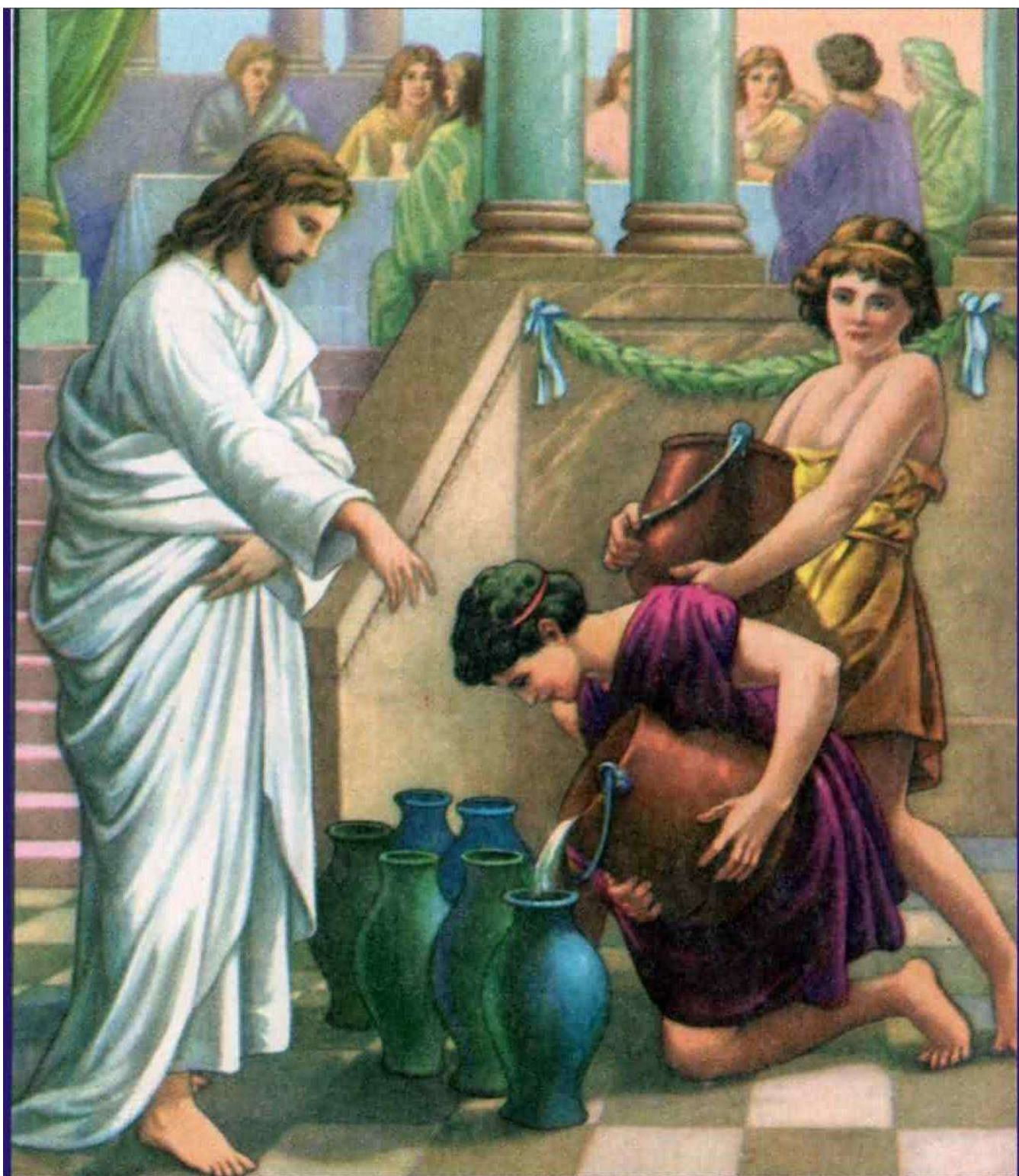
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Jesus never fails

Picture 1:



Picture 2:



Picture 3:

