

DISCUSSION GUIDE

DISCUSSION GOAL



Discuss what it means to lean on Jesus. Talk about what it looks like to go to Jesus directly with your problems, respond in obedience, and receive the gift of Jesus in your life.

ICE BREAKER



When was a time you were surprised by hospitality? Or share a time when you experienced amazing hospitality.

TEXT



Have a member of your group read the passage aloud.

John 2:1-11

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 you."

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.

MESSAGE OUTLINE



This is what our pastoral team observed about the passage.

Big Idea: In every circumstance, always lean on Jesus.

Key Question: What does it mean to lean on Jesus?

1. We must come to Jesus. (vv. 1-5)
2. We must fully obey Jesus. (vv. 6-8)
3. We must receive the gift of Jesus. (vv. 9-11)

DISCUSSION



- The story in John 2:1-11 is a great example of how we can go to Jesus with any problem! In what ways are people “searching” for help in our world today?
- This week’s passage opens with a problem, the hosts of a wedding run out of wine! Jesus’ mother brings the problem directly to Jesus. When you encounter a problem in life, what’s the first thing you do? If you don’t go directly to Jesus, who in your life (like Jesus’ mother), might point you to him?
- In verses 6-8 Jesus gives very specific instructions to the servants at the wedding that probably seemed strange to them, yet they still obeyed. Can you think of a time when you obeyed the Lord even though it seemed odd to others (maybe even odd to you)? What was the result and how did it increase your faith?
- Jesus not only turns water into wine, but the master of the party declares it as the best wine they’ve had so far (v. 10). Share a time when what Jesus provided for you was better than anything anyone else could have provided (including yourself).
- Read Psalm 16:11 and Psalm 34:8. What do these passages say about what Jesus has to offer? How have you experienced joy and the goodness of God in the midst of hardship?

LIFE APPLICATION



This week’s passage is about leaning on Jesus. As a group, brainstorm ways you can learn to go to Jesus first with your problems and how you can encourage each other to be obedient to Jesus no matter what.

Jot your ideas below and send a picture to your group to remind everyone of your action steps this week.

PRAYER REQUESTS


