

## Seven: *Water into Wine*

Sermon Discussion Guide 2.23.25

*Signs point the way. They direct us, warn us and inform us. Signs make clear what we cannot see. During His ministry, the Gospel of John tells us that Jesus performed 7 signs that were designed to reveal His identity as the Messiah. With each sign we are confronted with the truth about Jesus; and with each sign we are asked to make a decision about His identity and His work on the cross for us: will we believe?*

**Big Picture:** Jesus' first sign was a picture of **restoration**. Jesus can take the old and make something new – including our very hearts and lives.

### Getting Started

- Have you ever experienced a wedding ceremony or celebration that didn't go well?

### Search the Scriptures

Have someone in your Group read John 2:1-11.

1. In Jesus' culture, the wedding was meant to be a celebration with large social implications on the hosting family. With that in mind, why is Jesus' mother concerned about the lack of wine?
2. Jesus' response to his mother is odd. Why do you think he responds as he does?
3. "Do whatever He tells you" (John 2:5). What does Jesus' mother's words teach us about faith and following Jesus?
4. Each sign is revelatory of Jesus' identity and glory. What happens in response to Jesus sign at the wedding at Cana?

### Getting Practical

- Has there ever been a moment in your walk with Jesus where a move of His power led you to greater surrender and trust in Him?

- To be transformed we must cooperate with Jesus (surrender ourselves to Him fully). What keeps us from embracing complete surrender to Jesus?
- 2 Corinthians 5:17 declares that those who are in Christ are made new by Him. How have you seen Jesus make you new?
- Who is someone in your life, or situation in your life where you long to see Jesus' work of restoration?
  - How has this passage grown your trust in His power to do it?