

# The First Miracle

“Water into Wine” at  
the Wedding in Cana  
of Galilee  
(John 2:1-11)





On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, **2** and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

**4** "Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."





His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”

**6** Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

**7** Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water”; so they filled them to the brim.

Then he told them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.” They did so, **9** and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside **10** and said, “Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.”





“THIS, THE FIRST OF HIS SIGNS, JESUS DID AT  
CANA IN GALILEE, AND MANIFESTED HIS GLORY.  
AND HIS DISCIPLES BELIEVED IN HIM.”

JOHN 2:11

The background of the entire image is a soft-focus photograph of a man and a woman standing together, their forms rendered as dark silhouettes against a bright, cloudy sky. The man is on the left, and the woman is on the right, both facing away from the camera. The overall mood is romantic and contemplative.

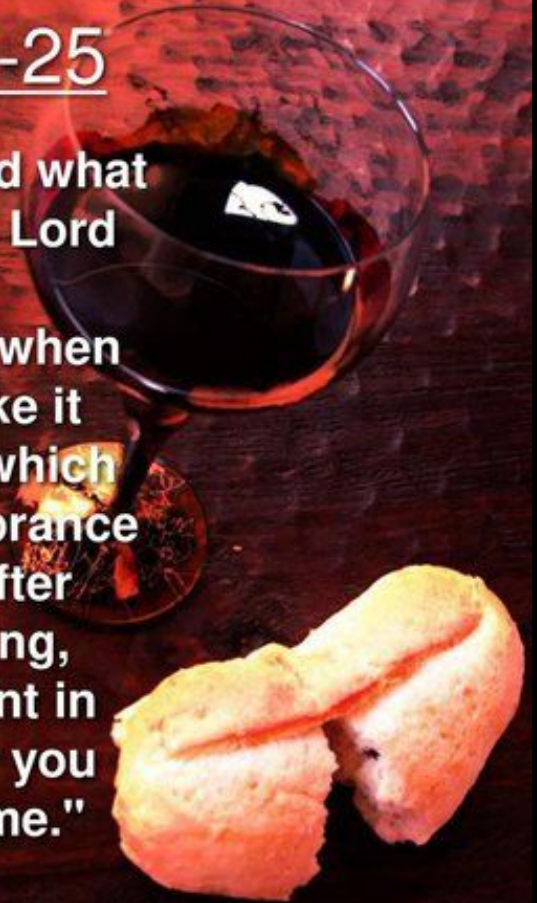
## Today's Devotion

"You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, 'I am not the Christ,' but, I have been sent ahead of Him.' He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom's voice. So this joy of mine has been made full." (John 3:28-29)

In His time on earth, Jesus often used Jewish marriage customs as a beautiful allegory of God's relationship with the church, His "bride." Jesus purchased believers with His blood, shed on the cross for the forgiveness of sins

## 1 Corinthians 11:23-25

<sup>23</sup>For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." <sup>25</sup>In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."






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**And since I'm going away to prepare  
a place for you, I'll come back again  
and welcome you into My presence,  
so that you may be where I am.**

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**1 Thessalonians 4:16-18**

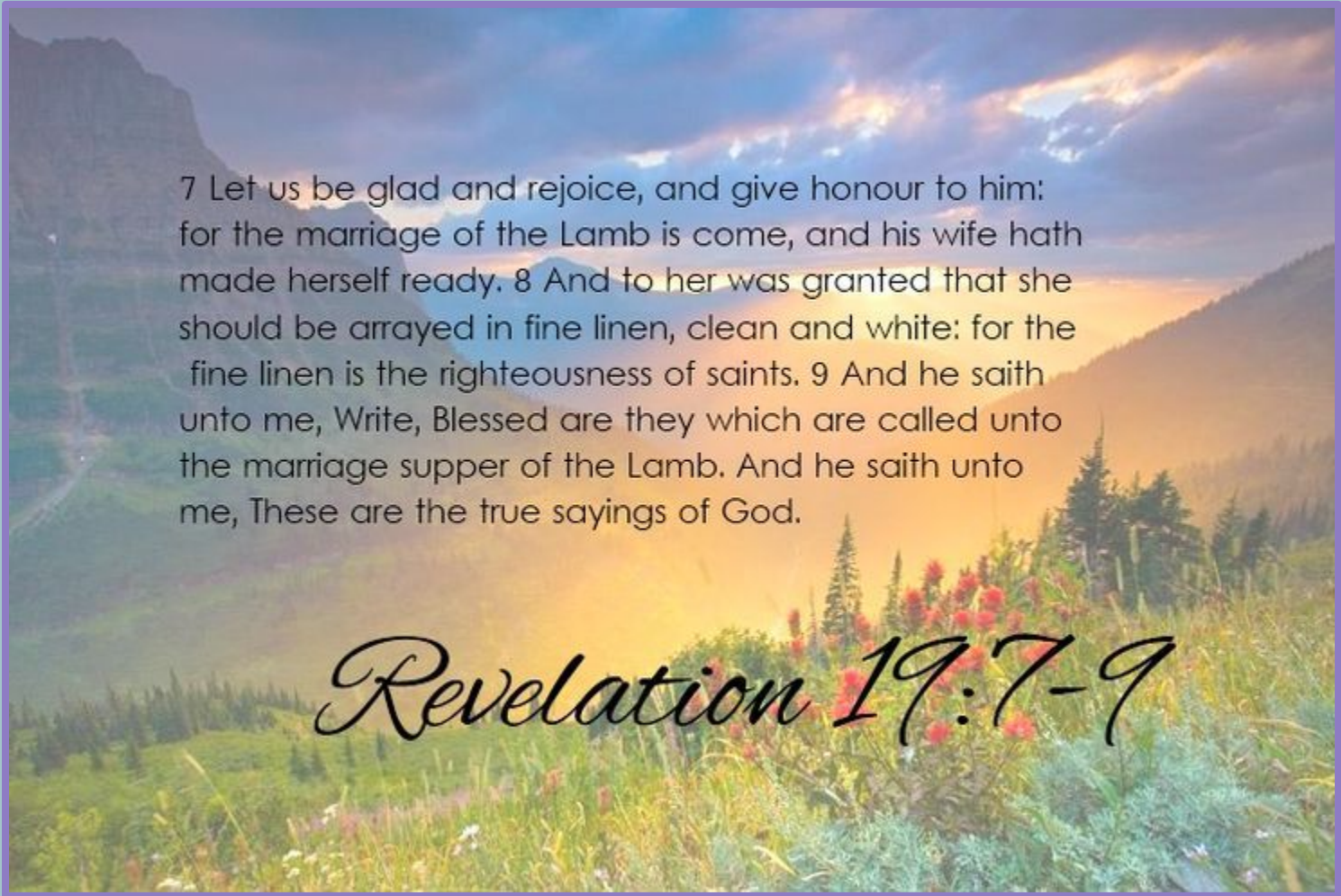
**16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God.**

**First, the believers who have died will rise from their graves.**

**17 Then, together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air.**

**Then we will be with the Lord forever.**

**18 So encourage each other with these words.**



7 Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready. 8 And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints. 9 And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.

*Revelation 19:7-9*