

**Digging Deeper:** John 2:1-12  
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**Day 1**

Read John 2:1-12, and pray that you will be able to understand what God is teaching us. The story begins with the words "on the third day" just three days after His baptism in the Jordan River and His identification as the "Lamb of God" by John. Read John 1:33-34. Why do you think He waited until He was baptized to perform His first miracle?

**Day 2**

The reason for the miracle (vs. 3): When they ran out of wine the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no more wine." What was the response of Jesus? Read verse 4. What is important about the place of His first miracle? Was it around the public eye or a more intimate gathering?

**Day 3**

Read John 2:3-5. Why do you think Mary pushes Jesus to solve the wedding host's problem? Are her words to Jesus appropriate? Do you think Jesus' reply was a rebuke? If so, why does He go ahead with the miracle? Ponder: Jesus, Himself, wasn't moved to make more wine. He listened to the plea of his mother. What does that tell us about what God cares about? Even the small things matter!

**Day 4**

In verse 4, Jesus uses the term "Woman" in addressing His mother. When I read this, it seemed a bit harsh. Read John 4:21, John 8:10 and John 20:15. Is this the same form of address? Do you agree that this was an acceptable term to call His mother?

**Day 5**

Read John 2:6-8. Why does He make so much wine? Who knew that Jesus turned the water into wine (verses 7-9)? Did anyone else know? Ponder: Jesus reveals the miracle to the servants, the lowly. He is making them the insiders.

**Day 6**

Read verse 10. Why did Jesus make the wine so good? Do you think He wanted the best for them? Jesus always saves the best for last as He did when He turned the water into wine. The devil, who tries to seem appealing, lures us with his best first.

## **Day 7**

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Ponder: Mary didn't tell Jesus what to do; she presented the problem and trusted Him to solve it. Maybe we should stop telling God what to do in a situation and just ask Him what He wants. It will always be the best for us!