



March 1, 2020  
SERMON NOTES  
John 2:2-11



**I. Belief and the Gospel of John**

- A. We believe based on \_\_\_\_\_ and on our confidence in the person delivering the information.
- B. Frank Turek said "The reason so many people are easily talked out of Christianity is because they were never talked \_\_\_\_\_ it, in the first place."
- C. John wrote his account of Jesus' life so we would \_\_\_\_\_ and have life in his name.
- D. The miracles were \_\_\_\_\_ that pointed toward Jesus' identity.

**II. Turning water into wine**

- A. The jars are icons of the covenant, and the traditions that Jesus had come to \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Serving the good wine after the second rate wine was a metaphor Jesus used to illustrate that something \_\_\_\_\_ and something better has come.
- C. We're invited to believe what happened based on the \_\_\_\_\_ of the people who were actually there.

**Things I would like to remember about this message:**

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# Asbury Daily Study Guide

## INTRODUCTION

Beginning with first-century followers of Jesus, trusting in Jesus has been a response to evidence—not simply in *hoping* something is true. The gospel writer John referred to the miracles of Jesus as signs that give evidence of who Jesus was. The first sign John documents is when Jesus—with a nudge from his mother—attended a wedding and turned water into wine.

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### Monday: John 20:30-31

The apostle John describes coming to faith as a process that starts with seeing actual events that served as signs of who Jesus was. Today, we can only hear or read about those events. Should the fact that we are not eyewitnesses to Jesus' miracles affect the process of someone coming to faith? Why or why not?

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### Tuesday: John 2:2-11 (Read this story Tuesday through Friday and answer the various questions about this passage each day)

How familiar is this story to you? Is there anything you just read that stands out as new information? What are some details about this story that would lead a reader to believe that this actually happened?

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### Wednesday: John 2:2-11

In verse 9, how would you have reacted if you were “one of the servants” at the wedding and just witnessed what Jesus did?

In verse 10, consider the master of the banquet's statement. How might that be a foreshadowing of the coming shift from the sacrificial system to Jesus being the ultimate sacrifice?

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### Thursday: John 2:2-11

What are some characteristics about Jesus that come to mind as a result of this story?

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### Friday John 2:2-11

Does looking at this story as a “sign” instead of just a “miracle” change anything about your view of God? How might it shape how you approach the miracles of Jesus?

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## MOVING FORWARD

“The reason so many people are easily talked out of Christianity is because they were never talked into it in the first place.” Frank Turek

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**Answers to the sermon notes:** IA) evidence, B) into, C) believe, D) signs  
IIA) replace  
IIB) new, C) testimony