

Emmanuel Prayer Needs

Israel Hamas/Palestine War; Temporary Cease Fire. Please Pray:

- This ceasefire will last and will lead to the end of war.
- For families' of hostages and prisoners who are waiting to be set free, sadly some may only receive the bodies of those they hoped to welcome back.
- For the Messianic Jews and Christian Palestinians who are caught up in this situation.
 - that they can show the Light of Jesus to their fellow prisoners.
 - knowledge that Jesus loves all on both sides of this war.
- Leaders on both sides will strive for peace; that they all have clear heads and wisdom as they negotiate



Study Continued

7. Jesus turned water into wine, and in the same way, He turns sinners into saints, He turns mourning into joy, hatred into love, darkness into light, conflict into peace, and emptiness into hope. Read Revelation 21:5. What do you want Jesus to make new in your life?

8. Read John 2:9-12. What was the response of the master of the banquet?

What was the response of the disciples?

9. Examine the 'Relationship Triangle', on the inside page. God wants our marriages to mirror the relationship that He has with His people. What needs to happen for this to become more of a reality in your life?



John 2:1-11 The Wedding in Cana

An advertisement for a Marriage Ministry Retreat & Workshop. It features a couple holding hands in front of a green background. The text includes 'EMMANUEL FamilyLife On Wednesdays', 'marriage MINISTRY', 'February 7&8th Wesley Acres Retreat Center', '\$50 per Couple + Accommodations Register online at emmanuelife.com', and 'Feb. 7-8 Wesley Acres \$50 per couple Please register at emmanuelife.com'.

An advertisement for a Men's & Women's Dinner. It features a top-down view of a dining table with plates of food and hands reaching for the dishes. The text includes 'Men's & Women's Dinner' and 'Mon Feb 10th • 6.30pm'.

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THE WEDDING IN CANA - John 2:1-11

Signs: (John 20:31)

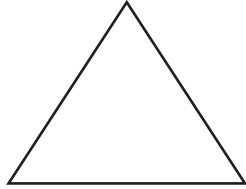
THE WEDDING

John 2:1-3

MARRIAGE

John 2:2 _____ and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding.

The relationship
Triangle



Essentials for a successful marriage:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

FILLING A LIFE THAT'S RUN DRY

John 2:4-5 ...His mother said to the servants, "Do _____ He tells you."

So what makes this miracle so spiritually significant? John 2:6-8

Wedding: (Jer 3:14; Matt 22:1-14; Rev 19:9)

Grapevine: (Isa 5:1-7, Jn 15:1-8)

Six water jars:

John 2:6 ...six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for _____ washing

The new wine: (Mk 2:22; Lk 22:20)

Jesus turns the water into wine...

Revelation 21:5 Behold, I make _____.

John 2:9-10 The response of master of the banquet:

1. Read John 2:1-11. Try to put yourself in the position of the person who made all the arrangements for the wedding. Maybe more guests arrived than you thought, and there isn't enough for everyone. What are you thinking?

How significant to you is that Jesus is concerned about the relatively small things in our lives, as much as the big things?

2. John 2.2 says that Jesus was invited to the wedding. God is the author of marriage (Gen 2:24; Mark 10:7-9). That is why it is important for Jesus to be in the centre of our marriages. Pastor Peter gave three essential elements for a successful marriage. What were they? Give a definition of each, as they relate to your marriage. For those of you who aren't married, these are still essentials in every relationship.
3. Relative to those three essential elements, how is the presence of Jesus in the centre of our marriage and relationships, so important in enabling us to live those elements out?
4. In John 2:4-5, Mary told the servants to do whatever Jesus told them to do. Put yourselves in the position of a servant. What is going through your mind? What level of trust does it take to do what Jesus said? What are you thinking when you draw the wine out of the jug and take it to the master of the banquet?
5. Read Jeremiah 3:14; Matthew 22:1-14; Revelation 19:9; Ephesians 5:22-33. The miracle at Cana is spiritually significant in that it marks the beginning of Jesus' ministry and points to who He is. How is marriage meant to mirror God's relationship with the Church
6. Read Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:8-19; John 15:1-8. In these verses, we see Israel described as a vine planted by the Lord, but the vine didn't produce the kind of fruit that God wanted, and so he sent Jesus - the true vine (Ps 80:15 John 15:1). The clay jars were for ceremonial cleansing, and represent the old covenant, and Jesus used these six jars (an imperfect number) to turn the water into wine. Now read Mark 2:22; Luke 22:20. How does what Jesus did by turning the water into wine, symbolize the whole of His ministry, and his reason for coming into the world?