

“Transformation”

John 2:1-11

Intro:

I. A stressful situation - 2:1-2

- A. Public humiliation
- B. Dampen the celebration

II. The suggested solution - 2:3-4

Mary obviously looked to Jesus to assist her and solve problems.

Note: Jesus responds *“My hour has not yet come.”* 7:6,8,30;8:20;
12:23 - *“glorification”* = His death, burial and resurrection.

III. Specific instruction - 2:5 - 8

- A. Do whatever *“he”* tells you.
- B. Fill the jars to the brim - nothing could be added!
- C. Draw some out and take it to the master of the feast.

IV. Surprising transformation - 2:9-10 Notice that the master of the feast evidently had no idea of the miracle...

V. Supernatural confirmation - 2:11-12

“This is the first of his signs... and his disciples believed in him”

Conclusion/Application:

1. This provides a wonderful snap-shot of Jesus the problem solver! Philippians 4:19
2. This is an obvious illustration of Jesus Lord of molecules! Colossians 1:15-17; Hebrews 1:3
3. This is a perfect picture of the transforming power of Christ! Taking the ordinary, the common, and making it new! I Corinthians 1:26-31

Was the wine alcoholic in content?

Wine was the staple drink at the time of Christ in light of lack of pure drinking water. The warm climate and lack of refrigeration, resulted in the fermentation of juice into wine. To avoid inebriation, wine was commonly diluted to one – third to one-tenth of its strength. Though the Bible does not forbid the drinking of wine, and in some cases commends it, Proverbs 31:6; I Tim. 5:23, it strongly condemns drunkenness. Proverbs 23:29-35; Galatians 5:21; Ephesians 5:18;