



Message Date: January 21, 2024

Message Text: John 2:1-12

Message Title: When Things Don't Go As Planned

Big Idea: God brings new creation from crisis.

Questions:

1. How do you handle situations that do not go to plan? Do you have a story of when you needed to work through plans falling apart?
2. Describe a time when you went to Jesus during a difficult situation. How did your perspective change after doing so?
3. Read John 2:1-12. How does this story reflect creation, Jesus' resurrection, and His mission in the world?
4. What can we learn from the characters in this story?
5. When have you seen God work in a crisis and create something new out of it?
6. Bryan mentioned journaling to invite Jesus in when he couldn't focus. How do you invite Jesus in when life isn't going as planned or is getting sidetracked?
7. Mary was confident Jesus would solve the problem. Do you have the same confidence for yourself? Why or why not?
8. Have you ever found it difficult to follow and obey Jesus' plan for you? What prevents you from doing so?

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO
J O H N
JESUS REVEALED

BRYAN MARVEL • JOHN 2:1-12 • *when things don't go as planned*

INVITE Jesus IN.

This will ground us in the right mindset and perspective. Jesus is waiting for us to invite Him in. *In Cana things go sideways when the WINE RUNS OUT!*



HAVE CONFIDENCE that He is ABLE.

"Do whatever He tells you to do" is Mary's confidence in her son's ability to step into this situation. Jesus tells the servants to fill 6 stone jars with water →

120-180 gallons
x 8 lbs per gallon =
1,200 lbs of water

FOLLOW and OBEY.

Servants not only filled these jars but bring a sample to the master of the banquet... a risk to be sure! The servants are rewarded by being "in the know" about the miracle.



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