

THE LORD'S INAUGURAL SIGN

JOHN 2:1-11

I. THE SITUATION THE LORD REMEDIED (2:1-3a)

- A. A Marriage Provided The Occasion (2:1)
 - 1. They Typically Lasted A Week
 - 2. This One Ended The First Full Week Of The Lord's Public Ministry
- B. A Crisis Had Occurred (2:3a)
 - 1. The Allotment Of Wine Was About To Be Exhausted
 - 2. The Lord Was Sparing The Host From Public Humiliation

II. THE APPEAL MADE BY MARY, THE LORD'S MOTHER (2:3b-5)

- A. Catholicism Has Used This To Teach That The Lord Has A Special Ear For The Intercessions Of Mary
- B. The Lord's Response To Her Was Designed To Be Instructional Of The Change In Their Relationship (2:4)
 - 1. He Addressed Her As "Woman"
 - 2. Whatever She Had In Mind, To Her It Was His "Hour" (7:30; 8:20; 12:23; 12:27; 13:1)
 - 3. Her Last Recorded Words In Scripture Were: "Whatsoever He Saith Unto You, Do It" (2:5)

III. THE INSTRUCTION THE LORD GAVE (2:6-8)

- A. "Fill The Water Pots With Water" (2:7)
 - 1. The Pots Were Normally Used For Hebrew Purification Ceremonies (2:6)
 - 2. The Pots Were Quite Large (2:6)
 - 3. The Pots Were Filled To The Brim (2:7)
- B. "Draw Out Now And Bear Unto the Governor Of The Feast"

IV. THE TESTIMONY THE LORD WAS GIVEN (2:9-10)

- A. It Was A Credible, Spontaneous, Unbiased, Commendable Testimony That Something Supernatural Had Taken Place
- B. It All Took Place By An Act Of The Lord's Silent Will

V. THE LORD DEMONSTRATED THE FACT THAT HE IS DEITY (2:11)