

Year 1: Study on Gospel of John – Make Up Assignment for Session 1

Email the completed assignment to Mrs. Valadez at youthministristclare@gmail.com

Answer all questions completely.

Themes for Spring Bible Study: Examination of the 7 “I am” statements by Jesus & the 7 miracles of abundance.

- Main question for the series: What shortage in your life would you like to ask God to turn into an abundance?

First miracle of abundance: The Wedding at Cana, John 2: 1-12

Read the scripture passage above.

- *Miracle: Wedding at Cana* – transforming water into wine. The shortage of wine at the wedding became a problem for the celebration to continue and to save “face” with the guests. Mary is prominent in this passage as she serves as messenger. Mary’s role also transforms from messenger to Jesus, sharing with him the needs of the wedding party, to one of intercession on behalf of the wedding party. We do not know if the bride and groom even knew that they were running out of wine, but Mary was attentive to their needs.
- Watch *The Chosen* clip: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MhjvAAkXbj0>
 - How is Jesus depicted in the clip?
 - What does the nonverbal communication between Jesus and Mary say about their relationship?
 - How do the servants represent all of us who are curious about what Jesus can do?
- **“I am” statement: The Vine** – “I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.” How does this statement support that without Jesus’s first miracle the bride and groom would have experienced shame and embarrassment?
- *Reflection Question: When in your life did you fall short, maybe without even knowing it, but Jesus took care of your shortness and gave you what you needed.*

Gift of the Holy Spirit: Counsel – The right judgement that allows us to see what is right and what is wrong, and the prudence to act accordingly.

Watch this clip: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b_u51AuhWU8

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- *Reflect on how Mary demonstrated the gift of counsel and sought to engage Jesus in providing what was needed at the wedding feast. Explain your answer in 1-2 paragraphs.*
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