

Taste And See

When the Wine Runs Out

John 2:1-12

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Introduction: In 1 Peter 2:2-3, Peter's ultimate desire is for the church to have an insatiable appetite for the word of God. Just as a baby craves milk, so should Christians crave the living Word as well as the written Word. Spiritual growth and maturity is not an option in the Christian life, it should be our hearts desire to "grow into salvation". When Jesus called Peter to follow him, he promised that he would make Peter a fisherman of men. Peter accepted the call to follow Jesus, and for three years he became a part of Jesus' inner circle. Twenty-four hours a day he did life together with Jesus and eleven other men. He watched Jesus heal the sick, walk on water, feed the five thousand, make the lame walk, caused the blind to see, turn water into wine and had table fellowship with everyday people. In a real sense, Peter tasted that the Lord is good for himself.

Prayer: Father, your word is a feast. Give us the appetite to learn from your word. Amen.

Read: John 2:1-12

Review: What help did you get from God to help you with the parts of the word that you are having difficulty submitting to? What are you still wrestling with?

Discussion:

1. Describe the scene portrayed in this passage. What details are recorded? What details are not recorded that you would like to know?
2. When the wine runs out, what does Mary say to Jesus? What does she not say? What do you learn from her response in this situation?
3. How does this sign identify who Jesus is? What other signs are mentioned in John's gospel? See John 2:18-22; 4:46-54; 6:1-14; 6:30-59; 12:17-18 for some examples.
4. Jesus involves the servants in this miracle. If you were one of the servants, what would you think about this sign? How does this sign give you confidence that Jesus is who he says he is?

Application: Bring your difficulties to Jesus with confidence but without your own plan of how to fix them.

Prayer: Almighty God, we want to have confidence in you. We believe; please help us in our unbelief. Amen