



“On the third day there was a wedding in
Cana of Galilee...” – John 2:1

The Significance of a Wedding in Cana

Timing

- The Lord's timing was impeccable
- And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." (Jn. 2:3)
- "But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son..." (Gal. 4:4)



Significance of the Lord's presence at the wedding

- Hebrew weddings were deeply spiritual
 - For the couple
 - It was understood to be typological
- Jewish leaders were very much involved



Significance of the Lord's presence at the wedding

- The Lord's attendance was a sort of a revelation of the wedding in the New Covenant era
- A Christian wedding is a divine mystery
 - “So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate.” (Matt. 19:6)
- The marriage of Christ to the Church
 - “Blessed are those who are called to the marriage supper of the Lamb!” (Rev. 19:9)
 - “For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.” (2 Cor. 11:2)

What does the Wedding of
Cana teach us about our
mystical union with the Lord
Christ?

He is the source of...

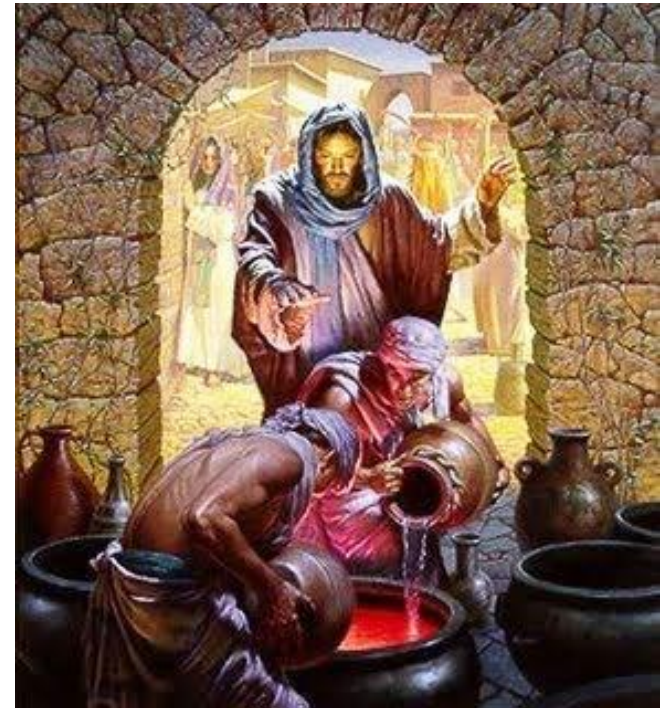
1. Purification

- “Now there were set there six water pots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews...” (Jn. 2:6)
- Weddings were celebrated for seven days
- “...the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.” (1 Jn. 1:7)



2. Transformation

- “This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him.” (Jn. 2:11)



3. Jubilation

- And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, “They have no wine.” (Jn. 2:3)
- “My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.” (Lk. 1:46-47)



4. Salvation

- “This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory...” (Jn. 2:11)
- The Lord changed water to wine, then wine to Blood
- Does this somehow show us that the Lord Christ is the Savior?
 - “By this you shall know that I am the Lord. Behold, I will strike the waters which are in the river with the rod that is in my hand, and they shall be turned to blood.” (Exo. 7:17)



Summary

- The Lord Jesus is our Bridegroom
- He is the source of our:
 1. Purification
 2. Transformation
 3. Jubilation
 4. Salvation