

(Topics, Lead-in, and Lead-in Devotional Reading below)

Water into Wine

TUNE: Come, Every One Who Is Thirsty, alt.
John 2:1-11

♩ = 96

Unison

F Gm⁹ Am Am⁷ E/A B^b B^b/D Gm/E F Gm⁷ E/A

1. Here at a par - ty, so thor - ough - ly hu - man,
 2. Wa - ter is wine, and our mourn - ing is danc - ing,
 3. This is the Shep - herd we eag - er - ly fol - low.

Dm D^m/A Dm B^bM⁷ B^b⁶ B^b E/A F D^m/B C^{sus} C^{sus}/G C

Je - sus is shar - ing our fun and our need.
 Sor - row is sing - ing, now ring - ing with praise!
 This is our Teach - er; we hang on His word.

F Dm D^m/A Dm B^b B^b/A Gm⁷ Gm⁶

Moved with con - cern and em - brac - ing the mo - ment,
 Fear and deep shame are con - sumed by His glo - ry.
 God is now with us, all praise in the high - est!

E/A F B^badd⁹ B^b B^b⁶ E/C B^b/C Gm/C F

He shows a heart that is ten - der in - deed.
 How great His pow - er! How lov - ing His ways!
 This is Mes - si - ah, our Sav - ior, our Lord!

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TOPICS: God's Love; Life of Christ

LEAD-IN: *On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there; and both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. When the wine ran out, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "What business do you have with Me, woman? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He tells you, do it."*

Now there were six stone waterpots standing there for the Jewish custom of purification, containing two or three measures each. Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." So they filled them up to the brim. And He said to them, "Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter." And they took it to him.

Now when the headwaiter tasted the water which had become wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the headwaiter called the groom, and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first, and when the guests are drunk, then he serves the poorer wine; but you have kept the good wine until now." This beginning of His signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and revealed His glory; and His disciples believed in Him.

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

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Jesus' first miracle was sparked by
down-to-earth, human reasons:
to save His friends from embarrassment and
to please His mother.

But Father, this down-to-earth miracle
gives us such a beautiful glimpse of
Your tender love for Your children.
What matters to us,
matters to You,
however trivial the need may seem.
You care about each of us
deeply, thoroughly, in every detail.

This first miracle sets the tone for all the others.
You love us!
That is Your message.
Yes, Your ultimate concern is
the sin that plagues us,
and You long for us to
spend eternity with You.
But Your love doesn't stop there.
Your heart yearns for the health of
our bodies and
our minds.

You care about our relationships,
our embarrassments,
and yes, about the supply of refreshments at our party.
Your love is not just a surface, big-picture love.
It is rich and real,
all-embracing and
all-encompassing.

And since Your love is so broad and deep and practical,
how many beautiful opportunities You have given us
to express that love to everyone around us!

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