

Trinity Church, Sarnia  
Lenten Bible Study – 2021

**7 Signs of God's Love**

*With Canon Vicars Hodge*

**Week #1. John 2:1-11. The First Sign at Cana of Galilee**

**Questions<sup>1</sup>:**

**Open:**

1. Why do you think Jesus went to the Wedding?
2. What do we learn about Jesus and his Mother from verses 3-5?

**Dig**

1. Put yourself in the place of the characters – how do you feel as:
  - a. The Host (v.3)
  - b. The Servant (v.9-10)
  - c. The Groom
2. What part does the size of the jars play in the story
3. How does the quality (v.10) and quantity (v.6) of wine demonstrate God's glory?

**Reflect**

1. In what ways does this story point to Jesus as the fulfillment of the hopes of Israel?
2. How is the “wine” level in your life right now? Bubbling over, half-full, empty?
3. Is there a place in your life where you wish Jesus would turn the water into wine?

**Group Norms to enhance our experience**

- **Try to make attendance a priority..**
- **Try to stay “on topic.”** Stick to the passage being studied. Seek to find the answers in the text.
- **Everyone participates and no one dominates.** We are sometimes so eager to share what we have learned that we don't leave room for others. By all means participate – but leave space for others.
- **Be sensitive to the other members of the Group.** We respect each other and can all learn from each other. There are no ‘dumb’ questions.
- **Support for one another is part of our life** as followers of Jesus.
- **Confidentiality matters:** When someone shares something of private nature, that stays in the group. We tell our own stories, if we want – not other people's.

**Suggestions for getting the most out of a LIFE<sup>2</sup> Group**

**Everyone**

- Try to read the passage we will study in advance of our meeting.
- Bring an attitude of expectancy – God wants to open his Word for you and me.... Come expecting to receive some good word.
- Stay in touch with each other during the week, where appropriate.

**People who want more....**

- Pre-read the questions and think about them a bit.
- Read the Gospel of John in the next week or two. Recommended translations: (ESV, NRSV, NASB, NIV, TPT)
- Each week, after the study, re-read the passage & questions– to reinforce what you have learned.

**The Keeners – looking for an A+**

- Read John through in a second, different translation like “The Message” (MSG), New Living Translation (NLT), JB Phillips or “The Good News”
- Make a list of questions you would like answered and send them to [trinity@trinitysarnia.org](mailto:trinity@trinitysarnia.org)

<sup>1</sup> With a “hat's off” to the Serendipity Bible for some of these questions.

<sup>2</sup> LIFE: Learning, Insight, Friends, Encouragement: these are our four objectives.