

INTRODUCTION

- * We have studying John's presentation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As we have noted, John's major purpose is to undergird the unity of the church through the presentation of the proof that Jesus is the Son of God.
- * In each of previous three messages from chapter 1, we have seen how John clearly interweaves either direct, or indirect, references to the deity of Christ.
- * John's presentation of the gospel is slightly different from that of Matthew, Mark and Luke ... in that his primary focus is not in the chronological presentation of Jesus' ministry. Rather, again, John's goal is to provide proof that Jesus was the Son of God who was incarnate in order to become the Lamb of God ... in order to take away the sin of the world!
- * In our passage today, we are presented with another means in which John is proclaiming the deity of Christ - through signs or miracles. First, we need to consider the identification and purpose of these signs, and then look at the application of the events surrounding the demonstration of the first sign and the declaration of the final sign.

INSTRUCTION

I. A CONSIDERATION OF THE SIGNS (cf. John 1:35-42)

A. The Purpose of the Signs (2:11)

1. IT M _____ THE GLORY OF JESUS
2. IT C _____ THE MESSIANIC OFFICE OF JESUS (cf. John 12:36-37; 20:30-31)

B. The Listing of the Signs

1. THE T _____ OF WATER INTO WINE (cf. 2:1-11; v. 2:11)
2. THE H _____ OF THE OFFICIAL'S SON (cf. 4:46-54; v. 53-54)
3. THE H _____ OF THE LAME MAN (cf. 5:1-18)
4. THE F _____ OF THE MULTITUDE (cf. 6:1-15; v. 14, 26-30, 35-36)
5. THE H _____ OF THE MAN BORN BLIND (cf. 9:1-41; v. 16,35-38)
6. THE R _____ OF LAZARUS (cf. 11:1-48; v. 45-48)
7. THE R _____ OF JESUS (cf. 2:18-22; 20:19-31; Matt 27:62-66)

II. A CONSIDERATION OF THE EVENTS ...

A. At The Wedding of Cana

1. JESUS' C _____
 - a..His Interaction with Mary (cf. John 4:21; 19:26; 20:15; Matt 15:28)
 - b. His Interaction with the Servants

2. JESUS' C _____ OF THE WATER TO WINE

B. At the Temple in Jerusalem

1. HIS C _____ OF THE S _____ OF THE TEMPLE (cf. Isaiah 56:7; Jeremiah 7:11; Matt 17:24-27)
2. HIS P _____ OF THE R _____ OF HIS TEMPLE

INTROSPECTION

- * WHO IS JESUS TO YOU?
- * HOW MUCH PROOF DO YOU NEED TO BELIEVE?
- * HOW DO YOU TREAT GOD? ARE YOU PRESUMPTUOUS UPON GRACE AND GOODNESS?
- * IS THERE A NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK ... AND, THEREFORE, THE WAY YOU ACT?

INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- * Isaiah 56:1-8 and Jeremiah 7:1-20 are the passages from which Jesus quotes while in the temple. What are the warnings that can be applied to the church from these passages?