

Introduction:

1. This passage serves as the occasion of Jesus' first sign, or miracle recorded in John's gospel.
2. **Marriage matters to God** – it is no accident that Christ performs His first miracle at a wedding.
3. Time began with a marriage, Christ performed His first miracle at a marriage, and time will end in the consummation at the *marriage supper of the Lamb!*
4. Marriage now seems to be frowned upon, but Hebrews 13 makes it clear, in a striking contrast that **"marriage is honorable and the marriage bed is undefiled, but whoremongers and adulterers will be judged by God."**
5. Today we consider four aspects relative to this miracle and how it reveals to us the glory of Christ (vs. 11)
 - I. **The time of the miracle (1a)**
 - II. **The occasion of the miracle (1b-5)**
 - III. **The nature of the miracle (6 – 11)**
 - IV. **The meaning of the miracle (6 – 11)**

Applications:

1. If you are married, is Christ a guest in your marriage?
2. If you are single, will your wedding ceremony be a time for Christ to display His glory?
3. Upon hearing the command to do whatever Christ says (vs. 5) these servants model obedience as they did what Christ told them immediately, even though it was probably very DIFFICULT (heavy stone water pots with a twenty to thirty gallon capacity each).
4. Remember that Christ came primarily for **HIS HOUR** and not to make life's party more enjoyable.