

Children's Activities - Community - The Wedding



Read or listen to John chapter 2: verses 1–11

Community was very important in Jesus' time just as it is now and the story is about Jesus being a wedding guest in Cana of Galilee with Mary his mother and his disciples.

The wedding celebration lasted for days but on the third day Mary saw that the wine had run out and quietly turned to Jesus and said 'They have no more wine.' Jesus was not expecting this moment but he asked the servants to fill six stone water jars with water and then take some water to the Master of the feast. The Master said it was the best wine.



The servants obeyed Jesus because Mary had told them to do anything Jesus asked them to do.

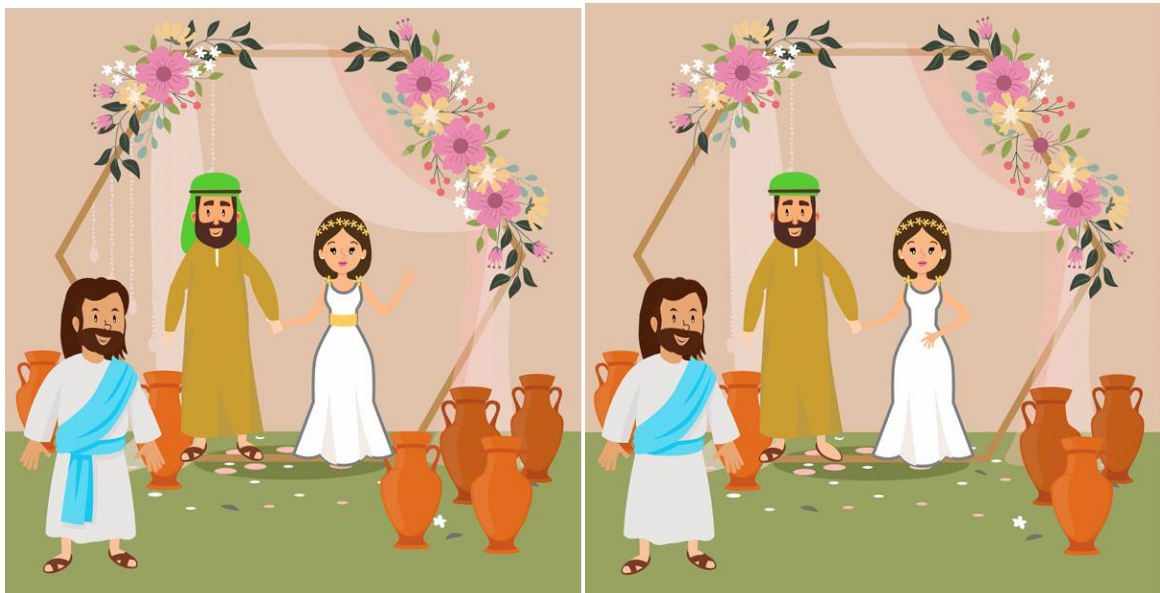
Jesus turned the water into wine, to save the embarrassment of the wedding family and to prove that marriage and community mattered to him.

- When were you last at a celebration?
A birthday party, a wedding, an anniversary?
- Did anything go wrong at the celebration you were at?
- What would you say to Jesus if he sat next to you at a wedding or birthday party?

By turning water into wine Jesus showed that he was special. This was a sign from God and Jesus' first miracle, saying that Jesus is God's son. Jesus gathered a community of disciples around him who believed in God. Today those who believe in God are a church 'community'

Prayer - Dear Jesus, you show me how helping people can make a difference. Help me to be there for others in my community in their difficult times. Amen

Spot the 10 differences in the pictures





	TRUE	FALSE
Jesus was invited to a wedding in Bethlehem.		
Mary was also at the wedding.		
The wedding lasted for one day.		
There was enough food and drink for everyone.		
Mary tried to fix the problem herself.		
Jesus told the servants to fill five jars with water.		
The servants obeyed Jesus.		
The bride tasted the wine first.		
The master of the feast said the miracle wine was the best wine.		
This was the first miracle Jesus' performed.		