THE GOSPEL OF JOHNSON

The Light Shines in the Darkness

> CHAPTER 2:1-12 "The Best for Last"

¹ The next day [the third day] there was a wedding celebration in the village of Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ² and Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the celebration. 3 The wine supply ran out during the festivities, so Jesus' mother told him, "They have no more wine."

⁴ "Dear woman, that's not our problem," Jesus replied. "My [hour] has not yet come." ⁵ But his mother told the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." ⁶ Standing nearby were six stone water jars, used for Jewish ceremonial washing. Each could hold twenty to thirty gallons. ⁷ Jesus told the servants, "Fill the jars with water." When the jars had been filled,

⁸ he said, "Now dip some out, and take it to the master of ceremonies." So the servants followed his instructions. ⁹ When the master of ceremonies tasted the water that was now wine, not knowing where it had come from (though, of course, the servants) knew), he called the bridegroom over. ¹⁰ "A host always serves the best wine first," he said.

"Then, when everyone has had a lot to drink, he brings out the less expensive wine. But you have kept the best until now!" ¹¹ This miraculous sign at Cana in Galilee was the first time Jesus revealed his glory. And his disciples believed in him. ¹² After the wedding he went to Capernaum for a few days with his mother, his brothers, and his disciples.



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Isaiah 25

⁶ On this mountain the Lord Almighty will spread a wonderful feast for all the people of the world. It will be a delicious banquet with clear, well-aged wine and choice meat. ⁷ There he will remove the cloud of gloom, the shadow of death that hangs over the earth.⁸ He will swallow up death forever!

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God's purpose is to replace our plans and purposes with HIS

God comes to replace religious ritual with new and joyful life



Life surrendered to God's purposes is the best life there is



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