John's Gospel—12 April 9, 2017 AM

## JESUS' FIRST SIGN (John 2:1-11)

- I. The SETTING (John 2:1-2)
  - A. JESUS and His DISCIPLES were in Cana of Galilee
  - B. They were attending a WEDDING celebration
    - 1. They were INVITED
    - 2. Jesus' MOTHER "was there"
    - 3. Jesus' presence and actions indicate His APPROVAL of MARRIAGE
- II. The SITUATION (John 2:3-5)
  - A. The "WINE ran out"
    - 1. This would be a SOCIAL DISGRACE
    - 2. This could become a FINANCIAL DISSASTER
  - B. Jesus' MOTHER approached Him for HELP
    - 1. She told Him, "They have NO WINE"
    - 2. Jesus reminded her that their RELATIONSHIP had CHANGED
    - 3. Jesus affirmed that He would ACT according to the FATHER'S timetable
    - 4. Mary told the servers to do "WHATEVER HE SAYS"
- III. The SUPPLY (John 2:6-10)

- A. Jesus enlisted the SERVERS to HELP
  - 1. Six stone waterpots had been provided for WASHING
  - 2. Jesus told them to FILL the waterpots
  - 3. Jesus told them to present SOME to the HEADWAITER
  - 4. He COMPLIMENTED the groom for the QUALITY of the wine
- B. Jesus provided ABUNDANT WINE
- IV. The SIGNIFICANCE (John 2:11)
  - A. Jesus DISPLAYED His DEITY (cf. Joel 2:19, 24; 3:18; Amos 9:11-15; Zech. 9:17)
    - 1. Associates Jesus with the promise of the COMING KINGDOM
    - 2. Demonstrates Jesus' power over NATURE and TIME
    - 3. Jesus' work would be one of CONVERSION
  - B. His disciples BELIEVED IN HIM