

Gary Allen Senecke Table Talk

John 2 On the third day there was a marriage at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there (Jesus also was invited to the marriage, with his disciples).

When the wine failed, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." Then Jesus said to her, "O woman, what have you to do with me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the steward of the feast." So they took it. When the steward of the feast tasted the water now become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward of the feast called the bridegroom and said to him, "Every man serves the good wine first; and when men have drunk freely, then the poor wine; but you have kept the good wine until now."

This, the first of his signs, Jesus did at Cana in Galilee, and manifested his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

1. There he stood
2. Which Cana (The Gospel of John refers a number of times to a town called Cana of Galilee (Ancient Greek: **Κανά της Γαλιλαίας**)
3. There are 3/5 possible Cana locations: a. Qana, Lebanon b. Kafra, Galilee c. Khirbet Israel on Beit Netofa Valley
4. We peek into the daily life of the One who sits "among"
5. Mary's act of faith
 - a. How do you petition?
 - b. Can we walk away?

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- i. The obedience of servants
 - ii. When did the water change?
6. Best is last – in the Hebrew purification rite
 7. The Greek deity Dionysus (also called Bacchus) is known by most people for his patronage of wine;



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