

## GOSPEL OF JOHN: LESSON 2

### II. CHRIST MANIFESTED AS THE SON TO DISCIPLES – THE FIRST MIRACLE (1:19-2:11)

- A. The witness of John (1:19-34)
  - 1. Place: in Bethany beyond the Jordan
  - 2. Occasion: Jews sending priests and Levites to ask questions regarding John's identity
  - 3. John denies being the Messiah, Elijah, or the Prophet of prophecy, but claims to be the voice crying in the wilderness of Isaiah's prophecy
  - 4. John's humility: unworthy to unloose latchet of Jesus' shoes
  - 5. John's twofold testimony:
    - a. Jesus is the lamb of God – takes away the sin of the world
    - b. Jesus is the Son of God – signified by the descending dove at baptism of Jesus.
- B. Jesus manifested to disciples (1:35-51)
  - 1. John and two of His disciples (Andrew one of them) spend remainder of the day with Jesus
  - 2. Andrew tells Cephas that he has found the Messiah.
    - a. Jesus tells Cephas his name shall be called Peter – stone
  - 3. Next day, Philip called by Jesus to follow Him.
  - 4. Philip finds Nathanael revealing that the one Moses and the law wrote about is present – Nathanael becomes believer after discourse with Jesus.
    - a. Jesus tells of private things concerning Nathanael.
    - b. Jesus tells of greater things – heaven open with ascending and descending angels upon the Son of man.
- C. Manifestation of miraculous power by turning water into wine (2:1-11)
  - 1. Occasion: marriage feast in Cana of Galilee – wine supply depleted
  - 2. Problem made known to Jesus by his mother – Jesus' verbal response
  - 3. Jesus requests that the servants fill six water pots with water – approximately 150 gallons.
    - a. Good wine drawn out
    - b. Beginning of Jesus' miraculous signs.

### QUESTIONS:

- 1. Who all did John deny being?
- 2. Were the ones John denied being promised to come in O.T. prophecy? Give Scripture to support your answer.
- 3. What was one prophecy John fulfilled?

4. What statement of John expressed his humility?
5. What two identifying statements did John make concerning Jesus?
6. Why did John come baptizing in water?
7. How did John know the Messiah?
8. Who, according to Philip, wrote about Jesus?
9. Describe the attitude of Nathanael toward Jesus BEFORE and then AFTER meeting Him.
10. What happened to change Nathanael's mind concerning Jesus?
11. What did Jesus promise Nathanael that he would see that was greater than what he had already seen?
12. When finding Jesus, what were the disciples moved to do next?
13. Explain Jesus' statement to His mother: "*Woman, what have I to do with thee? Mine hour is not yet come.*"
14. For what use were the water pots and how much did they hold?
15. Does "good wine" necessarily mean potent intoxicating wine?
16. Over what did Jesus show His power in turning water into wine?