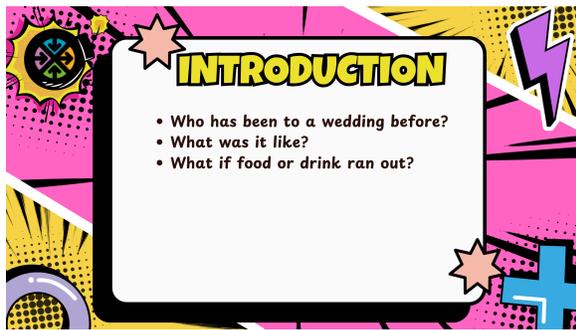




Welcome the children/Register
Don't forget to check in the team.



Ask the children:
Who has been to a wedding before?
What was it like?
What if food or drink ran out?



People celebrate their wedding day in so many different ways... We are going to start by looking at some wedding pictures from all over... Are you ready?



Different outfits:
Where do you think these couples are from?



At weddings, people often eat delicious food... what is the nicest food you've eaten to a wedding before?



Fancy decorations, yummy cakes



When they get married, people exchange rings... why do you think they do that?



Often they dance...

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Optional (BUT FIRST WE PLAY A GAME) - Toilet Paper Wedding Dress Challenge

BIBLE READING
John 2:1-12 (New International Version)

Jesus Changes Water Into Wine
2 On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, 2 and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. 3 When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."
4 "Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

Optional: Let the children read ;
Or the leader reads it;
Or skip to slide 14

Comment on highlighted sentences: Jesus had friends who invited him to a wedding party!

5 His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."
6 Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.^(a)
7 Jesus said to the servants, "Fill the jars with water"; so they filled them to the brim.
8 Then he told them, "Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet."

Mary knew something in her heart... she raised Jesus!

Comment: Jars used for ceremonial washing: being clean through the law and religious rituals vs new wine: Jesus's blood - we are cleansed by grace through our faith in him!

They did so, 9 and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew. Then he called the bridegroom aside 10 and said, "Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now."

11 What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.
12 After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother and brothers and his disciples. There they stayed for a few days.

THE PROBLEM

The host ran out of wine! That was embarrassing and would spoil the celebration.



Oh No! They Ran Out of Wine!

MARY TOLD JESUS

Mary believed Jesus could help. She said, 'Do whatever He tells you.' That's good advice for all of us!



They ran out of wine!

WHAT? OMG

SIX STONE JARS



OK- so, what was the problem? At the party, something very embarrassing happened. The wine ran out! In those days, this was a disaster for the family—it made them look unprepared and dishonoured the guests.

Mary trusted Jesus completely. She told the servants to do exactly what He said. Even though He hadn't done a public miracle yet, she knew He could handle it."

Nearby were six huge stone jars, normally used for washing before meals. Jesus asked the servants to fill them with water—all the way to the brim!"

THE MIRACLE

When the servants drew some water and gave it to the master of the banquet, it wasn't water anymore—it had turned into wine! Not just any wine, but the best wine anyone had tasted.

You saved the best until now!

WOW!

When the servants took some water to the master, it wasn't water anymore — it was wine! Jesus had done a miracle!

WHAT IS A MIRACLE?

A miracle is when something impossible happens... but with God it becomes possible.

KABOOM!

This wasn't a trick or magic—it was a miracle! Only God could make water become wine instantly. Miracles show God's power and help us trust Him more."

THE LESSON

Miracles show Jesus' glory.
His disciples believed in Him. (John 2:11)

The Bible says this was the very first miracle Jesus did. It revealed His glory—showing who He really is—and it made His disciples believe in Him even more."

APPLICATION

What can we learn?

- Trust Jesus like Mary
- Obey Him like the servants
- Believe in Him like the disciples

"The Wedding at Cana reminds us: We can trust Jesus with our problems, obey Him even if it seems small or silly, and believe that He is God's Son who can do the impossible."

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Why do you think Mary told Jesus about the problem?
- Why was running out of wine a big deal at a wedding?
- What do you think the servants felt when they poured water and saw wine?
- What does this story show us about trusting Jesus?
- What do you think it means that the disciples believed in Him?

Optional - you can ask questions as they have a biscuit and a drink.

QUIZ TIME!

Where did Jesus do His first miracle?
 a) Nazareth b) Cana c) Jerusalem d) Bethlehem

What was out at the wedding?
 a) Cake b) Wine c) Bread d) Water

Q: Answer: Cana

Who told Jesus there was no wine?
 a) Father b) Mary c) a servant d) The bridegroom

Q: Answer: Mary

How many jars did Jesus tell them to fill?
 a) 2 b) 6 c) 7 d) 12

Q: Answer: 6

What was in the jars before?
 a) Wine b) Water c) Juice d) Nothing

Q: Answer: Water

What happened when the master tasted the water-turned-wine?
 a) He spat it out b) He said it was the best wine c) He asked for more d) He didn't notice

What did the miracle show about Jesus?
 a) He could throw great parties b) He had power from God c) He liked weddings d) He liked to impress people

Q: Answer: He had power from God

7 questions - not enough for all - you can divide them into 2 teams. Read the question on the slide - click on what children answer to reveal.

THANK YOU

Pray and close