

LEARNING TO BELIEVE: Read the Sign

John 2:1-11

We see a pattern in the Scriptures, that when God is up to something big and new, his work is usually accompanied by miracles. This is seen throughout the Scriptures in the creation account (Genesis 1-2), in the story of the Israelites exodus from Egypt (Exodus 1-12), as well as in the reforming work through the prophets Elijah and Elisha (1 & 2 Kings). We are seeing in the Gospel of John, right after Jesus calls his first disciples, he performs his first miracle by turning water into wine. We will even see more miracles throughout this Gospel, and they will become more significant. We will see this first miracle is a sign that the Kingdom of God has arrived, and that God is bringing a new way of regeneration for His people.

I. THE MIRACLE (vv. 1-10)

II. THE SIGN (v. 11)

John 20:30-31 *“Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.”*

2 Corinthians 5:17 *“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.”*

Resources: *John*, Justin Buzzard; *Calvin's Commentaries: The Gospels*, John Calvin; *The Gospel of John*, William Hendrickson; *Matthew Henry's Commentary* (Vol. 5); *Conversion & Discipleship*, Bill Hull; *John*, John MacArthur; *John: An Expository Commentary*, R.C. Sproul