



\* Prayers Anchored in the  
Gospel of John

Tuesday, February 4, 2014

Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Saviour of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

## \*The Collect

Collecting your thoughts so you can focus  
on God.

John 2: 1-5

2 On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, <sup>2</sup> and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup> When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."

<sup>4</sup> "Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

<sup>5</sup> His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you."

 **Scripture**

\* This is a time when you will want to meditate on some part of the passage throughout the day. You might choose to memorize a verse, or imagine that you are one of the characters in the passage. Let the passage sink deep into your soul in some way.

**“Do whatever He tells you”**..... Thinking about this makes my independent heart at times say “No, I don’t want to” for no other reason except to argue. I don’t like surrender or submission. Wow Lord my heart can be so mixed up.

 **Meditation**

Mary was learning the truth that her son had more to him than just being her kid. She had treasured a lot of things in her heart from the very beginning. Wisdom prevailed at the wedding from her as she gave orders to the servants. They didn't have to understand Jesus or what he was doing, they simply needed to obey and they discovered something amazing as a miracle happened. (Ben Reed )

 **Meditation**

There was confusion at the wedding. Things were not going well. A problem emerged and people were upset.

The solution: Do what Jesus tells you to do!!  
It sounds so simple (the Sunday school answer!!)  
but incredibly difficult at the same time.

(Ben Reed)

 **Meditation**

## Questions

1. How do I know what Jesus is saying to me in 2014?
2. How can I be sure that I am hearing the voice of Jesus?
3. Why is obedience so difficult?

(Ben Reed)

 **Meditation**

Dear God

Thank you for the wisdom of Mary to tell the servants at the wedding. “Do whatever Jesus tells you”.

There is surprise, and blessing when we obey what Jesus tells us. Forgive me God for doubting that you are good.

Help me to learn to listen to what you are saying today. Amen

(Ben Reed)

 **Response**





In quiet prayer, we come to Jesus today to be still. What is keeping me, or you from surrendering to Jesus and doing what He says?

\*Prayer



Lets pray for any of our friends or family who may know what Jesus is calling them to do but are refusing to obey.

We remember those too who have no idea of God and His love and have not heard.

\*Prayer

Taste and see that the Lord is good;  
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him

[Psalms 34:8](#)

\*Blessing