



* Prayers Anchored in the
Gospel of John

Thursday, February 6, 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: 1-6

⁶ Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons.

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.”

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.

 **Scripture**

*This is a time when you will want to contemplate the beauty of God, or to rest in His protection and love for you. Some of this may not come out in words as much as in a posture of adoration and rest.

Lets observe that

1. Jesus loved people and going to weddings.
2. He blesses marriage
3. He worked with the servants obedience to show his miraculous power.
4. Miracles point to God's power and our need to surrender and believe.

(Ben Reed)

***Meditation**

Jesus had the wine independently tested and verified by somebody not in the loop of what happened. This helped everybody to see the miraculous had happened.

(Ben Reed)

 **Meditation**

Dear Jesus

When we encounter you, it is like our lives get transformed from water into wine. When we encounter Jesus our lives will change.

I desire to leave behind unbelief and sin and embrace your grace and truth and love.

(Ben Reed)

 **Meditation**

“And His disciples believed in Him”..... The disciples faith was strengthened as they saw the truth being preached and lived out in Jesus.

As I experience Jesus in my daily walk my faith is strengthened and grown. I am hungry to keep experiencing Jesus!

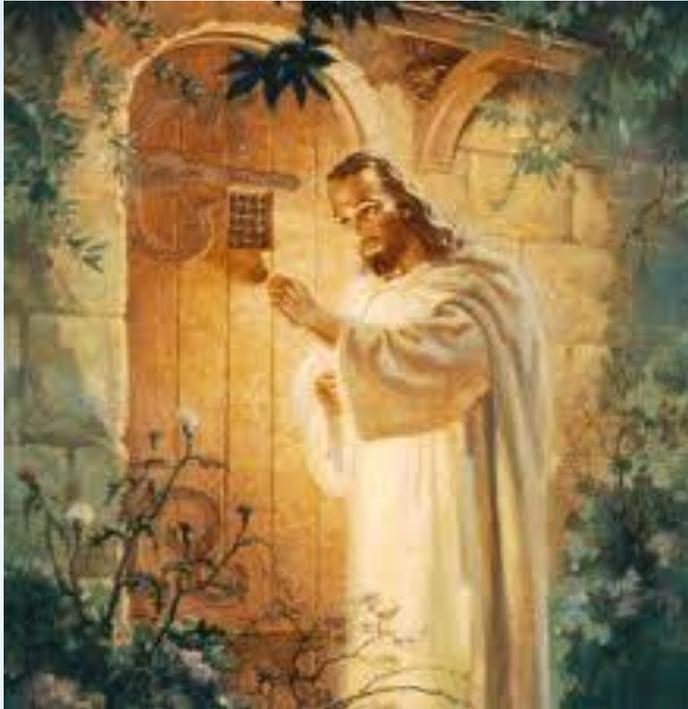
(Ben Reed)

 **Meditation**

Matthew 5:6

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

*Response



Jesus

I thank you that you
have met my hunger. I
open my heart to
receive from you today.
You give me real
spiritual food and drink.

(Ben Reed)

*Prayer

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

[Psalms 34:8](#)

*Blessing