

**Women's Bible Study**  
**Study Questions for January 24, 2017**  
**John 2 – Angie Pankratz**

1. Describe the last wedding reception that you attended? Is it hard for you to imagine Jesus attending such an event? If so, why is that? What are we told the kingdom of heaven will be like in Matthew 22:1-4?
  
2. What does Mary tell Jesus in John 2:2? Why do you think she told him that?
  
3. According to John 2:11, how did this miracle impact the disciples? How is being a follower of Jesus Christ different than putting your faith in him?
  
4. What angered Jesus in John 2:12-23? What are modern day "temples" where God dwells? (Hint: 1 Cor. 6:19-20) What steps can we take so that God is not disappointed with the way we use our modern day temples!?
  
5. The clearing of the temple takes place during the Jewish Passover. According to Deuteronomy 16:1 what were the people to be remembering at this time? Give an example of a holiday (holy day) or a time of remembrance that we practice in our current Christian culture that also can become commercialized or a distraction from what we are to truly be celebrating/remembering?
  
6. Do you think that because Jesus displayed righteous anger that we, too, can feel justified with our anger? Is there a difference between God's anger and our anger? Find three verses that back up your understanding on human anger vs. God's righteous anger.

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1. After reading through John 2 a couple of times, do you find it surprising that Jesus chose turning water into wine to be his first public sign that He is the Messiah?

2. The servants at the wedding are told by Jesus' mother to do whatever Jesus tells them to do. They follow Jesus' orders to fill six water jars and then draw some out. Miraculously the water is turned to wine. Name a time when you were obedient to God's leading in your life and, to your surprise, something wonderful happened because of it?

3. Look again at John 2:9-10. Who gets the credit for providing this fine wine!? Consider Matthew 5:16 and 1 Cor. 10:31. What steps can you do to be sure to give God the glory for all that He has done?

4. Summarize what happened in John 2:12-25. Many church leaders and pastors avoid teaching on passages that show God's wrath. What danger is there in not studying this aspect of God?

5. Who was with Jesus when he cleared out the temple (2:12)? What interesting fact are we told in John 7:5? How do you think that impacted Jesus and his ministry?

6. Many people use John 2:12-25 to justify their own anger. After reading Eph. 4:26-27, James 1:19-20 and Ecc. 7:9 do you feel there is such a thing as righteous anger!?