



“Jesus’ First Sign”  
Small Group Questions  
Week of September 16, 2018

**Icebreaker:**

*What was the last wedding you attended? Describe the couple, setting, and experience!  
If you are married, share one special moment from your own wedding.*

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Read John 2:1-12 keeping these questions in mind:  
What would it have been like to read or hear this for the first time in Jesus’ time?  
What would it be like to read this for the first time in 2018?
2. Take some time to read the other “sign” verses in John’s gospel (pick a few and their surrounding stories): John 2:11, 18, 23; 3:2; 4:48, 54; 6:2, 14, 26, 30; 7:31; 9:16; 10:41; 11:47; 12:18, 37; 20:30.  
What is the purpose of Jesus’ signs?  
What kind of work do they show?
3. Jesus’ miracle at the Wedding at Cana is meant to create a sense of anticipation, both for the modern and ancient reader.  
What are things that we eagerly wait for in our Christian walk here on earth?  
What are things we anticipate with Jesus Christ’s return?
4. Jesus’ coming hour is another major theme in John. Take time to read a few of these “hour” passages and their surrounding verses: John 4:21; 5:25; 7:30; 8:20; 12:23; 13:1; 16:32; 17:1  
What emotions do these passages fill you with?  
How ought we to respond to Jesus’ life of obedience?
5. John 2:1-12 is meant to elicit hope in the reader: hope in Jesus’ future signs and his greatest sign -- his death, burial, and resurrection.  
In your Christian life, what are reasons to have hope?