



BREAKING THE ICE

What was the most fun thing you did last week?

If you had to choose to live in the mountains or at the beach, which would you choose and why?

MAIN CONTENT

This last week we started observing the season of Lent. During Lent, we have the opportunity to engage in worship every week on Sundays and read the book of John every day.

This week we heard from Annie F. Downs. Annie gave us a quick lesson about the gospels in the New Testament of the Bible.

The gospels consists of 4 books: Matthew, Mark, Luke and John. Matthew, Mark and Luke all **reveal what Jesus said** and did. The book of John describes **who Jesus was**. It's as if John was telling his best friend Jesus's story.

1. Have you ever read the gospels? If so, which is your favorite one and why?
2. Which friend of yours could write a story about your life and describe you accurately?

As we worship on Sundays during Lent, we will be learning about the seven miracles or signs in the book of John. Each one of these teach us something unique about Jesus.

Annie talked about a miracle she prayed for as a third grader in her message on Sunday. She prayed for her mom's migraine to go away and it did.

3. Have you every prayed for a miracle? What happened?

Just like miracles in the Bible, God still does miracles to this day. However, we have a tendency to explain them away.

Out of the many things Jesus did, He was known for the miracles He performed. The first miracle we are going to talk about from the book of John is the miracle of Jesus turning water into wine.

Read John 2:1-11

One thing we learned from this scripture is that Jesus was the kind of guy that people wanted to be around. He was fun. We can assume people loved being around him because He was invited to a lot of dinners and weddings.

4. How do you feel about being around Jesus? What is your perception of Jesus?

The other thing we learned from the beginning of this scripture is the wine ran out. There was none left for the guests. This was a problem.

We all have times in our lives when we feel like our wine has run out. It could be problems with our finances, relationships or something going on in our spiritual walk.

5. Where do you feel like your wine has run out in your life right now?

When the wine ran out in the scripture Jesus was there to make more wine. He handled the crisis. He is available to handle our crisis as well. He wants to. As Annie said, "He can do something extraordinary with the ordinary".

6. Where have you seen Jesus do something extraordinary in your life?

Mary didn't know what Jesus was going to do in that moment. She just knew that Jesus's character was to be helpful and loving. She knew He could do something because He was the kind of person who cared to help others.

7. What do you know about Jesus's character? How has his character shaped you?

Jesus is equal to the crisis in your life. He can do the extraordinary things we need. He wants to remind us of who He is and what He can do.

But Jesus wants us to talk to Him. To tell Him we are empty, confess to Him that we have a need that we need Him to fill. Then we just open our hands to be open to His miracles in our life.

Psalm 81:10 and John 7:37 are scriptures we can pray to be reminded to open our hands and mouths to ask God for His miracles in our lives.

8. What scriptures have you prayed to help boost your faith?

CLOSING PRAYER

Jesus, we come to you empty handed. Fill our hands and hearts. Show us a glimpse of your miracles. Help us remember your character. We believe you. We trust you. Help me follow you.

ACTION STEP

If you haven't engaged in Lent yet, pray about how God would have you engage in Lent. For more information go to www.crosspoint.tv/lent.