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pt1: Water or Wine?

Icebreaker: Reflect on life five years ago and how life changed dramatically due to the pandemic. In what ways did your life change? Were there any lessons you learned during this time?

1) Jesus' first miracle of turning water into wine at the wedding in Cana was symbolic of a new way of relating to God. The sermon highlights the difference between "old religion" and "new relationship" through the turning of water into wine. How do you see this shift in your own spiritual journey? Have you ever struggled between following religious routines versus fostering a deeper relationship with God?

2) In John 2:1-11, Jesus' mother instructs the servants to "Do whatever he tells you." What do you think this means for your life today? Are there areas in your life where you feel God is calling you to simple obedience?

3) The sermon contrasts a mindset of scarcity ("Quick, we're running out!") versus one of abundance ("Relax, where God guides, He provides"). In what areas of your life do you tend to operate out of scarcity? How can shifting your mindset to one of abundance change the way you trust God in difficult situations?

4) The sermon closes by asking, "What is the NEW God wants for you?" How can this question guide you through the season of Lent or any season of spiritual reflection? Is there something in your life where God is calling you to step into a "new" phase or practice? How can you act in obedience to that?

5) In light of Psalm 90:12 ("Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom"), how can we use times of reflection, such as Lent, to gain deeper wisdom in our relationship with God?

Challenge: Share what physical thing you are willing to give up to attain something more spiritual during Lent (ex: caffeine, social media, sweets ... for the sake of reading more Scripture, praying more, journaling, etc)

