



John 2

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Facts About John (The Disciple, The Apostle):

- His brother was also a disciple of Jesus (James).
- He and his brother (James and John) were nicknamed “Sons of Thunder” by Jesus.
- John was the youngest disciple.
- James was the first of Jesus’ disciples to be martyred. (Acts 12:2)
- John never identifies himself by name in the Gospel of John—calls himself ‘the disciple that Jesus loved’.
- He is known as John the Beloved.
- He lived to be oldest disciple. He lived for 65 years after Jesus’ death and resurrection.
- He is the only disciple to not suffer martyrdom.

John 2 Is Divided Into Two Stories From The Life Of Jesus:

1. Jesus turns water into wine (verses 1-12).
2. Jesus clears the temple courts (verses 13-25).

Weddings and The Miracle:

- Wedding Feasts were important occasions.
- Every detail was meticulously planned.
- A Master of Ceremony would oversee the event.
- Ceremonies sometimes lasted up to seven days.
- Failure to provide enough wine for the guests would be a social disgrace to the family and an error that would not soon be forgotten.
- Jesus turning water into wine is only mentioned in the Gospel of John.
- There had been no recorded miracles for 450 years.

Jesus:

- After leaving Cana, Jesus traveled to Capernaum with his mother, brothers, and disciples.
- Jesus had four brothers and at least two sisters.
- Capernaum became Jesus’ base of operations. He no longer lived with his family in Nazareth.

Jesus Clearing The Temple Courts In Jerusalem:

- This story appears in all the Gospels (Matthew 21, Mark 11, Luke 19, and John 2).
- It takes place at the beginning of Jesus’ ministry in John 2.
- It takes place at the end of Jesus’ ministry in the other three Gospels right before he goes to the cross.
- In the other three Gospels Jesus says, “My house will be a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of robbers” after clearing the temple. But in John 2 he does not make that statement.
- Most scholars think Jesus cleared the temple twice, once at the beginning of his ministry and once at the end.
- This is one of the events that angered the Jewish Leaders and led to Jesus’ crucifixion.