

Reasoning out of the Scriptures

by Allegory and Type



Series 06

*class 3 – continuing **The Signs in John***

Water into Wine & Healing the Rulers Son

The Signs in John—

John 2:1-11

Joh 2:11 This *beginning of *miracles* did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, **AND MANIFESTED FORTH HIS GLORY**; and his disciples believed on him. **RV/RSV/NIV “signs”*

Joh 4:54 This *is* again the **SECOND miracle that* Jesus did, when he was come out of Judaea into Galilee **indicates order*

Like all portions of Scripture, “order” is established in the Signs recorded in the Book of John. This is found throughout the Inspired Word: there is an order in Creation, the sacrifices, tabernacle, encampments of Israel, duties of men, prophetic events, Jew and Gentile, man and woman, ecclesial affairs, and even the arrangement of the books of the Bible...etc. This “order” teaches all of us the pattern for sound personal Bible study.

- The process of understanding the Scripture is first the “milk” of first principles before the “meat” of more mature things (Heb 5:12-14). The Mosaic covenant was first, then the new covenant in Christ—

“Signs of John” written with a Jewish emphasis.

JEW appears *a few times* in Mat, Mar, Luke—but more *60x* in John.

□ **“These miracles *were signs to the Jewish people and nation* revealing their needs and the source from whence they could be supplied” *HPM, Guidebook to N.T.***

John 1:17 “The law was given *by Moses*, *but* grace and truth came by Jesus Christ”

John 1:45 “We have found him of whom *Moses* in the Law, and the prophets did write”

John 3:14 “As *Moses* lifted up the serpent... even so must the Son of Man”

John 5:45-46 “There is *one* that accuseth you, *even Moses*, in whom ye trust. For had ye believed *Moses*, ye would have believed me”

John 6:32 “Jesus said unto them... *Moses gave you not that bread from heaven*; but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven”

John 7:19 “Did not *Moses* give you the Law, and none of you keepeth...”

John 9:28-29 “Then they reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple; *but we are Moses' disciples*. We know that God spake unto *Moses*: *as for this fellow*, we know not from whence he is.”

Note the context leading up to this first “sign” in the book of John—
Joh 1:14-21 “And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth. **JOHN BARE WITNESS OF HIM**, and cried, saying, This was he of whom I spake, He that cometh after me is preferred before me: for he was before me. And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. *For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.* No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him. And ***THIS IS THE RECORD OF JOHN**, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, *Who art thou?* And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, *What then? Art thou Elias?* And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No”

Joh 1:28-30 “These things were done in Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing. ***THE NEXT DAY JOHN SEETH JESUS COMING** unto him, and saith, *Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world. This is he of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is preferred before me: for he was before me*”

The first sign establishes Christ as superior to all before him—

Joh 1:31-35 “***And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water. And JOHN BARE RECORD, saying, I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it abode upon him... And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God. Again *THE NEXT DAY AFTER JOHN STOOD, and two of his disciples. And looking upon Jesus as he walked, he saith, Behold the Lamb of God!”***

****the reference point to the first sign is John Baptist***

Joh 3:25-30 “***There arose a question between some of John's disciples and the Jews ABOUT PURIFYING. And they came unto John, and said unto him, Rabbi, he that was with thee beyond Jordan, to whom thou barest witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and all men come to him. John answered and said, A man can receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven. Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said, I am not the Christ, but that I am sent before him. HE THAT HATH THE BRIDE IS THE BRIDEGROOM: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him, rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this my joy therefore is fulfilled. He must increase, but I must decrease.”***

Mat 9:14-17 “Then came to him the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the Pharisees fast oft, but thy disciples fast not? And Jesus said unto them, **CAN THE CHILDREN OF THE BRIDECHAMBER MOURN, AS LONG AS THE BRIDEGROOM IS WITH THEM? BUT THE DAYS WILL COME, WHEN THE BRIDEGROOM SHALL BE TAKEN FROM THEM, AND THEN SHALL THEY FAST.** No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse. Neither do men put NEW WINE into old bottles: else the bottles break, and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put NEW WINE into new bottles, and both are preserved”

➤ **This “third day” (Joh 2:1) is also the SEVENTH DAY from John Baptist as the “voice crying in the wilderness” John 1:23**

1. **John 1:19** “And this is the record of John...” (Day One)
2. **John 1:29** “The next day John seeth Jesus...” (Day Two)
3. **John 1:35** “Again the next day after...” (Day Three)
4. **John 1:43** “The day following Jesus...” (Day Four)
John 2:1 “And the third day...” (Day Seven)

This reps. the development of the bride on the Seventh Day. Contrast first Adam and Eve on the Sixth Day (Gen 1:26-31 cf. 2Pet 3:8)

First Sign—The Marriage: Turning Water Into Wine

Joh 2:1 *And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and THE MOTHER of Jesus was there:*

- v.1 is a continuation of the first chapter of John. “And the third day...” This requires understanding the context of the first chapter of John. ****Gospel of John notes first and last week of Christ.**

Marriage—the ultimate purpose of Yahweh (2Cor 11:1-2; Rev 19:9).

Eph 5:32—marriage reps. Christ and Ecclesia. Like the first Adam, the bride is created by the sacrifice of the man (Gen 2:21-25; Mat 19:4)

Mat. 22:2 “The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son...” (Rev 19:9; 21:2; Mat 25:1-12)

Third Day—life through sacrifice (marriage principle: man-wife).

Marriage of man and woman is united by the sacrifice of the husband

1Cor 15:4 “And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures” (Exo 3:18)

Gen 22:2-4 “Take now thy son... offer him there for a burnt offering upon... on the third day Abraham...” (Heb 11:17-19)

- *In the Law of the Red Heifer, the “third day” and the “seventh day” are connected for “purification” from defilement of death. The sacrifice of the red heifer provided a “purification from sin” (Num 19:9)*

Num 19:11-12 “He that toucheth the dead body of any man shall be unclean seven days. He shall **purify** himself with it (ashes) on **the third day**, AND ON **THE SEVENTH DAY** HE SHALL BE CLEAN: but if he purify not himself the third day, then the seventh day *he shall not be clean*”

- *The ashes of the red heifer were typical of purification in Christ:*

Heb 9:13-15 “For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: HOW MUCH MORE SHALL THE BLOOD OF CHRIST, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? *And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance*”

John 2 reveals that “purification” is a reference point of the first sign.

Joh 2:2 And *both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.* *Jesus reps. his human nature (1Tim 2:5; Heb 2:9; Phi 2:6-11)*

Both—Jesus and His disciples rep. the true marriage (Mat 25:1-10). As Jesus and his disciples were not literally related to one another, this “call” to the marriage indicates the invitation came from one who associated with them by the Gospel (Luk 9:1-2; Mat 10:5-7)

Disciples—student, follower. One who takes up the cross and follows him (Mat 16:24); those who are willing to leave natural associations that they might follow the Lord Jesus Christ (Luke 14:25-27).

Called—same Gk. word used for those “called” by the Gospel

➤ *The kingdom is likened unto a marriage, where many are called but few chosen (Mat 22:1-14; Rev 19:7).*

“God, who hath called you unto His Kingdom and Glory”—1The 2:12
God Himself “created” and “joined together” husband and wife; that “two” would become “one” (Mat 19:5-6); enacted in the sacrificial “deep sleep” of Adam (Gen 2:21-24). Christ/Ecclesia (Eph 5:31). *Marriage is a unity of husband and bride joined in one by God—John 17!*

Joh 2:3 And when *they wanted wine*, THE MOTHER of Jesus saith unto him, They have *no wine*.

Wine—the principal point of the “first sign,” because it represents the sacrifice of the Lord as the basis for the New Covenant. “This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is shed for you” Luk 22:20

Joh 2:4 Jesus saith unto her, WOMAN, what have I to do with thee? *mine hour is not yet come*.

Mine Hour—expression used in John directly for the Lord’s own crucifixion and glorification: John 7:6,30; 8:20; 12:23; 13:1; 17:1

Mother, Woman—she reps. Jesus’ flesh or sin-nature.

Job 15:14; 25:4 “How can he be clean who was born of a woman”

Psa 51:5 “I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me”

Gen 3:15 “I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed...”

• Through Mary, Jesus was a “partaker of flesh and blood” (Heb 2:14)

Luk 2:21-24 “When eight days were accomplished for the circumcising of the child, his name was called JESUS... when the *days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished*, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present *him* to the Lord... to offer *a sacrifice according to that which is said in the law of the Lord*” (inheriting uncleanness Lev 12:1-8)

- ❑ “He was born of Mary...He therefore inherited the flesh and blood of Mary. He was made of flesh and blood” —*R. Roberts*
- ❑ “According to this physical law, the Seed of the Woman was born into this world. The nature of Mary was as unclean as that of other women; and therefore could give birth only to ‘a body’ like her own...*Sinful flesh being the hereditary nature of the Lord Jesus, he was a fit and proper sacrifice for sin*...Sin in the flesh is hereditary” —*J. Thomas*
- ❑ *BASF* “Jesus Christ, who was to be raised up in the condemned line of Abraham and David, and who, though wearing their condemned nature, was to obtain a title to resurrection by perfect obedience...”

Heb 2:14-18 “Forasmuch then as the children are *partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same... made like unto his brethren...*” **(both Jesus and disciples at marriage)**

Rom 8:3 “What the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son *in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh*”

Rom 1:3-4 “Made the seed of David *according to the flesh.*”

• **A primary Scriptural meaning of “blood” or “flesh and blood” is that of human nature; that is “blood” relates to “flesh”—**

Lev 17:14 “For *it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof... for the life of all flesh is the blood thereof*”

➤ Eph 5:25 “Husbands, love your wives, even *as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it...*”

Wine—the grand symbol of sacrifice; basis of the new covenant.

Gen 49:11 “... He washed his garments *in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes*”

- The reference to his “blood” relates to Jesus’ nature “in the days of his flesh” (Heb 5:7). We fellowship with the emblems of “bread” and “wine” symbolic of his *flesh and blood* (Mat 26:26-29)
- Furthermore, it is this “blood” that provides “remission for sins” (Mat 26:28); “cleanseth us from all sin” (1John 1:7); and “washeth us from our sins” (Rev 1:5). Thus, it is important that we understand the ***principle*** associated with Jesus’ “blood.”

Joh 2:5 His MOTHER saith unto the **servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it* **apostles/servers of wine 2Cor 4:5; Phi 1:1; Tit 1:1; Jam 1:1*

His mother—while Jesus shared our nature HIS WORDS were to be taken as complete authority from his Father (Luk 2:19,51):

John 8:28-29 “I do nothing of myself; but as the FATHER hath taught me, I speak these things.” (Joh 6:38)

John 14:8-11 “The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself; but the FATHER that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works”

- **See notes: Atonement. Jesus was “made of quick understanding” and “full of the holy spirit” (Isa 11:1-5; Luk 4:1-2; Joh 3:34-35)**

Joh 2:6 And there were set there *six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews*, containing two or three *firkins apiece. **measurement of liquid (water)*

Six—number of man, flesh needing purification (Gen 1:27; Rev 13:18).

When Peter learned that God had “cleansed” the Gentiles, he said: “These *six brethren accompanied me*, and we entered into the man’s house”—Act 11:12. **Reciting this incident he stated:** “Men and brethren, ye know how that a good while ago God made choice among us, *that the Gentiles by my mouth should hear the word of the gospel*, and believe... And put no difference between us and them, PURIFYING THEIR HEARTS BY FAITH”—Act 15:7-9

Waterpots—containers for Water of the Word (Eph 5:26; Joh 4:7-15).

Stone—the application of this Gk. word is used in ref. to the Law:

2Cor 3:3 “The epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; *not in tables of stone*, but in *fleshy tables of the heart*” *saints become “living stones”*—1Pet 2:5

After the manner of the purifying of the Jews—purification under the Law. First sign changes this “water” into “wine” (the Lord Jesus Christ)

Joh 2:7 Jesus saith unto them, *Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim.*

Strong's—"a cleansing, purification, a ritual purgation or washing" or "washing of the Jews before and after their meals." (Mark 7:2).

Purification by Water—the *outward cleansing of the Law*. Priests (Exo 29:4); leper (Lev 14:8); uncleanness (Lev 15:5-27; 17:15)...etc. Mat 23!

➤ *Wine is inwardly ingested. Emblems of New Covenant are inward.*

The Jews emphasized purification of only the external—

Mar 7:20-23 ref. unwashed hands Christ said "For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications..."

➤ *It is the Word that cleanses (Eph 5:26; Joh 15:3), and The Truth that purifies the heart (1Pet 1:22-23; Joh 17:17-19).*

Filled to the Brim—entirely. Each "TWO OR THREE firkins." Used for "TWO OR THREE witnesses" (Christ the fulfillment Joh 5:31-37): to establish the Law and the Word (Heb 10:28; 2Cor 13:1). This was Christ, "full of the holy spirit" (Luk 4:1) possessing the Spirit without "measure" (Joh 3:34).

He "fulfilled all things" that were "written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the psalms, concerning me"—Luke 24:33

Joh 2:8 And he saith unto them, *Draw out now*, and bear unto the governor of the **FEAST**. And they bare *it*.

Draw Out—drawing out of “water” was essential to produce “wine.” The Law and Prophets (water) are the source for the Messiah (wine).

☐ “IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO KNOW GOD APART FROM THE CHRIST-DOCTRINE OF MOSES AND THE PROPHETS”—*Phanerosis*, pg. 77-78

All allegories of the patriarchs; types & shadows of the Law; Messianic psalms and prophecies of the O.T. concern Christ. See Reasoning Class

Joh 2:9 When the ruler of the feast had *TASTED *the water that was made wine*, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;) the governor of the **FEAST** called the bridegroom **same used for Christ “tasting death for every man” (Heb 2:9) and “tasted of the good word of God” (Heb 6:5)*

Water Made Wine—Jesus did not replace the water, but *changed* it into wine; from vessels for the “purifying of the Jews.” John 1:14.

Mat 5:17 “Think not that I am come to destroy *the law, or the prophets*: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil”

Joh 2:9 When the *ruler of the feast* had *TASTED the water that was made wine, and KNEW NOT whence it was: (but *the servants which drew the water* KNEW;) *the governor of the feast* called the bridegroom, **the new covenant (Heb 6:1-5)*

Governor knew not—Jewish rulers ignorant: Luk 16:31; Mat 13:35 John 1:45
John 9:30 “Why herein is a marvellous thing, *that ye know not from whence he is*, and yet he hath opened mine eyes” (Mat 15:14; 22:29)

- Nicodemus was a “master of Israel” and “knowest not these things” (Joh 3:10). They omitted the weightier matters (Mat 23:23-31)

Servants Knew—used for Yahweh’s prophets: (2Kin 9:7; 17:3, 13-23; 21:10; 24:2; Jer 7:25; 24:4; Eze 38:17; Amos 3:7). **They bare the water made wine.**

1Pet 1:9-12 “Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, *who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you*: Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister...”

Joh 2:10 And saith unto him, Every man *at the beginning doth set forth good wine*; and when men have well drunk, then that which is ***WORSE: *but thou hast kept the good wine*** UNTIL NOW. ***the lesser, Young's "inferior"**

Good Wine—naturally, better wine is aged longer, and kept in darkness. "It is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins" (Heb 10:1-4). This was accomplished by "the blood of the new covenant" (Mat 26:28); which was "revealed" in the *last days*:

Heb 1:1-3 "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers *by the prophets*, Hath *in these last days* SPOKEN UNTO US BY (Gk. "in") HIS SON, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high"

Christ is the "better hope," the "better covenant," and "better sacrifice" than the Law (Heb 7:19-22; 8:6; 9:23).

Joh 2:11 This **BEGINNING OF MIRACLES** did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, *and manifested forth his glory;* and his disciples believed on him.

Why A Marriage Feast? Because it's a *sign* rep. the "spirit" of the Law.

Rom 7:1-6 "The Law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth? For the woman which hath an husband is bound by the law to *her* husband so long as he liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the law... Wherefore, my brethren, *ye also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ye should be married to another, even to him who is raised from the dead...* For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, *which were by the law,* did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death. But now we *are delivered from the law...* that we should serve in **NEWNESS OF SPIRIT, and NOT IN THE OLDNESS OF THE LETTER"**

The Lord Jesus Christ was the embodiment of the *doctrine* of The Father (Joh 1:14), and therefore the *manifestation* of Him (Joh 5:23; 14:9-13; 17:1-26). The "glory of God" was revealed "in the face of Jesus Christ" (2Cor 4:6); a glory superior to that of The Law (2Cor 3:1-18).

Second Sign—Healing The Ruler's Son

Joh 4:46 So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, **where he made the water wine*. And there was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum. ***connection with the 1st sign**

Jesus Came Again—John 4:1-4 begins: “He left Judaea, and DEPARTED AGAIN INTO GALILEE. And he must needs go through SAMARIA” (Acts 1:8)
Water made wine—Samaritan woman; husband (v.16-18); well of water.

Joh 4:43 Now *after two days* he departed thence, and WENT INTO GALILEE.

Joh 4:44 For Jesus himself testified, that *a prophet hath no honour in his own country*.

After Two days—rep. of the two millennial days of Gentile Times

2Pet 3:8-9 “one day is with the Lord as a thousand years...”

- *Psa 90:4 (Num 14:34; Eze 4:4-6; Gen 29:27)*

Prophet no honour in his own country—this expression is used in the context that Jesus would be rejected of the Jews, and more readily received of the Gentiles (*see: Luke 4:23-29; Mar 6:1-6*). Thus, Samaria.

The Samaritans represented Israel removed into captivity for evil, and the Gentile corruption of Israel's religion: 2Kin 17:22-34 “The children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam... **Until the LORD removed Israel out of His sight, as He had said by all His servants the prophets.** So was Israel carried away out of their own land to Assyria... **And the king of Assyria BROUGHT MEN FROM BABYLON... and placed them in the cities of Samaria instead of the children of Israel: and they possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities thereof.** And... they spake to the king of Assyria, saying, **The nations which thou hast removed, and placed in the cities of Samaria, KNOW NOT THE MANNER OF THE GOD OF THE LAND: therefore he hath sent lions among them, and, behold, they slay them...** Then the king of Assyria commanded, saying, **Carry thither one of the priests whom ye brought from thence; and let them go and dwell there, and let him teach them the manner of the God of the land... Howbeit every nation made gods of their own, and put them in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, every nation in their cities wherein they dwelt.** **And THE MEN OF BABYLON...made unto themselves of the lowest of them priests of the high places, which sacrificed for them in the houses of the high places.** They feared the LORD, and served their own gods, after the manner of the nations whom they carried away from thence.”

Joh 4:39 And many of the *Samaritans* of that city believed on him *for the saying* of the woman, which testified, *He told me* all that ever I did. (*Disciples told not to go to Samaritans—Mat 10:5*)

Joh 4:40 So when the **Samaritans* were come unto him, they besought him that he would tarry with them: *and he abode there two days.* **Samaria/Samaritans used 8x in this record*

Joh 4:41 And many more *believed because of his own word*;

Joh 4:42 And said unto the woman, Now we believe, *not because of thy saying: for we have heard him ourselves*, and know that THIS IS INDEED THE CHRIST, *the Saviour of the world*

Believed because of His own word—despite no miracles for “two days” (spirit gifts during GENTILE TIMES); condemning the Jews (Mat 12:38-42). Indeed the Christ—affirm what Jews rejected (Mat 26:63; Luk 22:67; Joh 10:24) Samaritans—the Jews denounced Christ: “thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil” (Joh 8:48). The Samaritans had corrupted religion. The woman said: “How is it that thou, being a Jew, askest drink of me, which am a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans” (v.9) Yet, 10 lepers, only the Samaritan returned (Luk 17:12-19).

Joh 4:22 YE WORSHIP YE KNOW NOT WHAT: we know what we worship: for *salvation is of the Jews.*

Joh 4:23 But the hour cometh, and now is, when *the true worshippers* shall worship the Father **in spirit and in truth:* for THE FATHER SEEKETH SUCH TO WORSHIP HIM.

Joh 4:24 God is a Spirit: and *they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.* *spoken by Joshua (Jos 24:14)

Salvation is of the Jews—to the Gentile, the Lord Jesus reveals that worshipping Yahweh “in spirit and in Truth” is a true Israelite (Isa 42; 49). Either Jew or Gentile of true worship are:

- “the circumcision” (Phi 3:3)
- “graft” into Israel (Rom 11:1-28)
- “the commonwealth of Israel” (Eph 2:1-22)
- “the Hope of Israel” (Acts 28:20)
- “the Israel of God” (Gal 6:15-16; 1Pet 2:8-10)
- “inward Jews” (Rom 2:28-29)
- “the seed of Abraham” (Rom 4; Gal 3)

Israel broken off, Gentiles graft in to Abraham.

Joh 4:46 So Jesus came again into Cana of Galilee, WHERE HE MADE THE WATER WINE. And there was *a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at CAPERNAUM. City of Comfort*

Sick Son—the nation of Israel constituted Yahweh’s “son.”

Exo. 4:22 “Thus saith the LORD, *Israel is my son, even my firstborn*”

•The “sin” of Yahweh’s people is rep. by being “sick” (1Cor 11:30). *The word “son” is the same as “children” of Israel (Mat 27:9)—*

Isa. 1:4-6 “Ah *sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the LORD ... the whole head is sick... from the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it, but wounds, bruises... etc*”

Nobleman—tran “king” “royal” (Act 12:20-21). Israel’s status (Exo 19:6)

○Israel’s *sickness was superficial worship (v.11-16): “the multitude of their sacrifices,”* were “vain oblations.” God demanded they “wash” to become clean, and “put away the evil of their doings.”

Turning the Law into “the tradition of the elders” (Mat 15:2), the Jews violated the spirit of it. Outward observance of the Law was sickness; the “letter” that “killeth” (2Cor 3:6-7). THE WATER MUST BE MADE WINE!

Capernaum—the Gentile Believes the Healing Word of the Master

Mat 8:5-13 “And when Jesus was entered into Capernaum, *there came unto him a centurion*, beseeching him, And saying, Lord, my servant lieth at home sick of the palsy, grievously tormented. And Jesus saith unto him, I will come and heal him. The centurion answered and said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come under my roof: *but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed*. For I am a man under authority, having soldiers under me: and I say to this *man*, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh; and to my servant, Do this, and he doeth *it*. When Jesus heard *it*, he marvelled, and said to them that followed, **VERILY I SAY UNTO YOU, I HAVE NOT FOUND SO GREAT FAITH, NO, NOT IN ISRAEL**. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west, and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven. *But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth*. And Jesus said unto the centurion, Go thy way; and as thou hast believed, so be it done unto thee...”

- **Luke 7:1-10** *This Gentile did not physically see the Lord, but sent to Christ by the “elders of the Jews,” who reported that “he loveth our nation.”*

Joh 4:47 When he heard that Jesus was **come out of Judaea *into Galilee, he went unto him, and BESOUGHT HIM that he would come down, and HEAL his son: for he was at the point of death. *leaving Judaism for Christ *where teaching began (Act 10:37)*

Son of Nobleman At The Point of Death—the same circumstance for Abraham's son *after the flesh, Ishmael* (Gen 21:16); who reps. Israel after the flesh under the Law (Gal 4:21-31). Christ provided "life" (v.53) from condemnation of the "ministration/letter" of death (2Cor 3:1-11)

Joh 4:48 Then said Jesus unto him, **Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe. *Samaritans believed his word*

Except Ye See—this was the condemnation of the Jews (Joh 2:23-25). Mat 12:38-42 Christ told the scribes and Pharisees "An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas..."

Isa 8:18 "Behold, I AND THE CHILDREN WHOM THE LORD HATH GIVEN ME ARE FOR SIGNS AND FOR WONDERS in Israel from the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth in mount Zion" *Christ and His brethren were the sign! Note...*

Joh 4:49 The nobleman saith unto him, Sir, **come down ere my child die.* ***Christ is the “resurrection” (Joh 11:25)**

Child Die—redemption of national son, Israel after 2 days (Jer 30:11).

Hos 6:1-2 “Come, and let us return unto the LORD: for he hath torn, and *he will heal us*; he hath smitten, and *he will bind us up*. After two DAYS will he revive us: IN THE THIRD DAY HE WILL RAISE US UP, AND WE SHALL LIVE IN HIS SIGHT”

- The “third day” identifies with the Lord’s resurrection. The two millennial days of despair are followed by salvation. “Revive” is trans “save alive” (Gen 12:12; 50:20; Exo 1:22; Jos 2:13; 2Kin 7:4; Eze 13:18-19; 18:27)
- The Father has given the Son power to raise “whom he will” (Joh 5:21; 6:38-44). Only those who embrace the resurrection of the Lord can be raised (Rom 8:11; 1Cor 15:20-26; 2Cor 4:14; Phi 3:9-10, 20-21; 1The 4:14).

Zec 12:9-10 “I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, *as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn*”

Joh 4:50 Jesus saith unto him, Go thy way; thy son liveth. And *the man believed* THE WORD THAT JESUS HAD SPOKEN *unto him*, and he went his way.

The Word Jesus Had Spoken—the Jews must become as the Gentiles: Belief in the Lord’s Word is more powerful than the witness of miracles.

Jer 31:33-34 “This *shall be* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD, *I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people*”

Note the humbling of this Jewish leader in Israel—

- v. 46 “a certain nobleman”
- v. 49 “the nobleman”
- v. 50 “the man”
- v. 53 “the father” ...thus, the direction noted...

Yahweh’s affection for His Son—conversion of Israel (Zec 12:10).

Joh 4:51 And *as he was now going down*, his servants met him, and told *him*, saying, THY SON LIVETH.

Joh 4:52 Then enquired he of them **THE HOUR** when he began to amend. And they said unto him, Yesterday at *the seventh hour* the ***FEVER** left him. ***word appears 6x in Scripture**

Joh 4:53 So the father knew that *it was* at the **SAME HOUR**, in the which Jesus said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, *and his whole house*.

Seventh—Kingdom: 7th millennium (Heb 4:1-11). 3rd & 7th again connected

Enquired—the answer draws the man into the past tense, when the Lord's healing Word was spoken; that is, at his first advent (Luke 24:44).

Whole House—used for all of Israel saved (Eze 37:11; 39:25).

Eze 39:25 “Thus saith the Lord GOD; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the **WHOLE HOUSE of Israel**, and will be jealous for my holy name”

Joh 4:54 This *is* again *the second miracle that* Jesus did, when he was come out of Judaea into ***Galilee *circuit, circle**

The First miracle—bloodshed—provided the cure for the Second.