- **A.** Willing To Dare (1:35-40)
 - 1. Willing to leave the familiar (1:35-37)
 - a. When the right day comes (v 35) Ezekiel 39:8
 - b. When the right message is heard (v 36) Isaiah 49:8
 - c. When God leads in a new direction (v 37) Isaiah 42:16

- A. Willing To Dare (1:35-40) continued
 - 2. Willing to go the distance (1:38-40)
 - a. God is watching how you follow (v 38)
 Curiosity or commitment
 1 John 2:19
 - b. God is wanting you to make the choice (vv 39-40) Matthew 16:24

- **B.** Willing To Care (1:41-45)
 - 1. The priority
 Galatians 6:10
 - 2. The perspective Luke 15:9
 - 3. The prospects 1 Timothy 5:8

- **C.** Willing To Share (1:46-51)
 - 1. The method remains unchanged (1:46)
 - 2. The message of Christ must be heard (1:47-48) Romans 10:14
 - 3. The message of Christ must be heeded (1:49) Acts 8:37
 - 4. The message of Christ must be hoped (1:50-51) Hebrews 11:1

The Work Of God John 2

Christ's Work Is To Do The Work Of God

John 4:34

Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work.

John 2:1-11

- 1 And the third day there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee; and the mother of Jesus was there:
- 2 And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.
- 3 And when they wanted wine, the mother of Jesus saith unto him, They have no wine.
- 4 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not yet come.
- 5 His mother saith unto the servants, Whatsoever he saith unto you, do it.

John 2:1-11 - continued

- 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.
- 7 Jesus saith unto them, Fill the waterpots with water. And they filled them up to the brim.
- 8 And he saith unto them, Draw out now, and bear unto the governor of the feast. And they bare it.
- 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,

John 2:1-11 - continued

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.

11 This beginning of miracles did Jesus in Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

I. God Will Work (2:1-11)

A. When the time arrives (2:1)

B. When invited (2:2)

Psalm 24:9

Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up, ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory shall come in.

I. God Will Work (2:1-11)

C. When rightly needed (2:3-5)

Philippians 4:19

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

1. We see an opportunity but ... (vv 3-4)

James 4:3

Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.

2. We serve in obedience (v 5)

I. God Will Work (2:1-11)

- D. With what you have (2:6-8)
 - 1. God creates the solution (vv 6-7)
 - 2. God commands we use His solution (v 8)
- E. With results better than what you can do (2:9-10)
- F. For His glory (2:11)

John 2:12-25

- 12 After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples: and they continued there not many days.
- 13 And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

John 2:12-25 - continued

- 14 And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: 15 And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out the changers' money, and overthrew the tables;
- 16 And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise.
- 17 And his disciples remembered that it was written, The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.

John 2:12-25 - continued

- 18 Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things? 19 Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.
- 20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days?
- 21 But he spake of the temple of his body.
- 22 When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.

John 2:12-25 - continued

- 23 Now when he was in Jerusalem at the passover, in the feast day, many believed in his name, when they saw the miracles which he did.
- 24 But Jesus did not commit himself unto them, because he knew all men,
- 25 And needed not that any should testify of man: for he knew what was in man.

A. Confirms the Word (2:12-13)

Deuteronomy 16:16

Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty:

Matthew 5:17

Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

- **B.** Consecrates worship (2:14-17)
 - 1. By cleaning house physically (vv 14-15)

Exodus 12:15

Seven days shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land.

- B. Consecrates worship (2:14-17) continued
 - 2. By cleaning house spiritually (vv 16-17)

Matthew 16:6

Then Jesus said unto them, Take heed and beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees.

Psalm 119:9

Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed thereto according to thy word.

- **C.** Conveys the way (2:18-22)
- 1. Not about your temple made with your hands Matthew 24:1-2
- 1 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple.
- 2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

- C. Conveys the way (2:18-22) continued
 - 2. About the temple made by my hands

Mark 14:58

We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is made with hands, and within three days I will build another made without hands.

- **D.** Confronts the wondering (2:23-25)
 - 1. Intellectually (v 23)

John 6:28-30

- 28 Then said they unto him, What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?
- 29 Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.
- 30 They said therefore unto him, What sign shewest thou then, that we may see, and believe thee? what dost thou work?

- **D.** Confronts the wondering (2:23-25)
 - 2. Spiritually (vv 24-25)

James 4:8

Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

John 8:31-32

- 31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed;
- 32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.

God Is At Work

Is He At Work In Your Life?