

WHEN PIGS FLY



Big Idea

Pastor Curt – Part 4

We continued the series When Pigs Fly (Do you believe in miracles?) with a focus on flawed thinking countered by an explanation of godly biblical thinking with a focus on what God is really wanting to do in our lives. If you have ever thought: God must be angry at me, or I must have done something wrong, or I must not be “holy” enough, or I’m not important enough, or God doesn’t care, then this message is for you!

The first miracle Jesus did was at a wedding in John 2. Everybody has high expectations for a wedding, especially the many day celebration that weddings were then. During the party the wine ran out. Wine and joy go together. No more wine indicates no more joy; maybe life has emptied joy from your life. High expectations often lead to great disappointments. Here are three wrong things people did at the wedding that we also do: **1) We focus on feelings instead of faith, 2) we take matters into our own hands, and 3) we exaggerate the negative.** After explaining a biblical perspective of these this message shares how to restore joy and faith in your life!

Discussion Questions

- Read John 2:13 - The first miracle Jesus performed was at a wedding and the setting is significant. They were in a situation where the expectations were high, but the joy was low. Describe an experience that you have had similar to this. You had very high hopes of what was to come, but your joy wasn’t there. How did you get through that situation?
- Sometimes we tend to focus on the natural problem instead of the spiritual solution. In moments like these we need to remember to “live by faith and not by sight.” What are some practical steps we can take in our everyday lives to put this scripture into use?
- When we are waiting on answers or a certain outcome, we tend to take matters into our own hands and/or exaggerate the negative. Have you done one or both of these things? What was the outcome? Now, name a time where you waited on the Lord for your answer. What was that outcome and what was the difference from before?
- Jesus didn’t just perform the miracle, but He taught a lesson as well. Oftentimes in the middle of our miracle there are lessons to be learned. Name one of the most significant lessons the Lord has ever taught you. Was this an easy lesson to learn? How are you applying that lesson today?

Prayer Focus

Take some time to pray through the areas of doubt you have in your mind and ask the Lord to be the miracle worker. Allow Him the opportunity to answer your questions, complete your miracles, and keep your expectation and joy level high.

Next Steps

Jesus challenges us to believe the unbelievable. This week begin thinking about the things you are believing God for. The more impossible they sound, the more the Lord can do. Next to each prayer request, write out a scripture of encouragement. As you pray over these requests, also read aloud the scripture to help remind yourself that nothing is impossible for God!

Leader Tip

Think of a time when you felt God calling you to step out in faith and then you saw Him move supernaturally as a result. Share your story as a way to encourage the group and strengthen everyone’s faith.