

## Jesus turned wine.

John chapter 2.

Bible Story: Jesus Goes To A Wedding Jesus first miracle.

Lesson Aim: Do what Jesus says. Follow Jesus. Experiencing a wedding and how wine made from grapes ran out.

### Preparing for Wedding:

- Post out invitations to children – they love getting mail! Our invitation read: ***Mr. & Mrs Cabbage Patch (dolls) invite: David & Anna to the wedding of Billy & Poppy (dolls) at KidsRock 11 am Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>. A gift of a home made card and money would be nice! (Parents: money goes to Cambodia Mission!) The lesson is Jesus miracle at the wedding.***
- The idea is to show that people getting married are given presents to help them get things for their new home. I also pre-wrapped a few parcels of house hold essentials to unwrap.
- Dress bride – just a veil and a flower sets the scene.
- Set up for wedding: Ground sheet (spills of Ribena or cordial may stain.) Long table (or set out on floor) - white material or newsprint table cloth, large enough for children to all sit around. Place mats – children can decorate as an activity? Plate for each setting. Flower petals down middle. Platters with fruit, fairy bread, or other special small treats.

- Plastic or real grapes – explain wine is juice from grapes.
- Wedding cake and special safe knife with white bow- we had a tier of cup cakes on a special plate on a small stool covered with white cloth.
- Pre set silver or special tray with tiny plastic shot or communion glasses. Glasses. Small pink drink – Ribena or cordial etc.
- In **the bottom of the spare empty jug put good lot of Ribena or red cordial concentrate** etc. ready to add water when drink runs out.

- Demonstrate **water going into empty jug.**

(After the lesson explain to the children that you had already put juice in because you can't do a miracle like Jesus did.)

- You might have a parent as photographer!

The Lesson begins:

Songs:

- Butterfly Song by Brian Howard – Noah’s Ark
- God Made The Sunshine

[www.lambsongs.co.nz](http://www.lambsongs.co.nz)

Book

Make Big book from web “Jesus Goes To A Wedding.” Talk about story read book.

Lesson

Introduce Bride and groom. Act out Billy asking parents if he can marry Poppy. (Here is an opportunity to talk about the grooms character – will he look after Poppy and be kind to her? etc. ) Asking Poppy to marry him. Inviting their friends to their wedding.

JESUS and his mother **MARY** were invited too!

- Briefly act out wedding service – “you may kiss the bride we all clap.”

Grace

Move the children to sit around the table.  
Say Grace!  
Eat. Talk about Poppy & Billy.

- Toast the bride and groom several times till glasses are empty: **“To the Bride and groom!”**

**“A long happy life together.”**

Cut Cake

Cut the wedding cake – take photos.

- \* Toast “To the bride and groom”
- **Servant** whispers loudly, “But we have run out of wine grape juice!”
- **Jesus mother** hears. **She asks Jesus.** To help. She tells the servant **“Do whatever Jesus says.”**
- Talk about that no one wanted to drink just water at the wedding!
- Fill the prepared jug with water so the children can see. (cordial already in bottom. **Use a non see through jug.**)
- Jesus did a miracle! He turned the water into wine made from grape juice and it was the nicest wine at the wedding!

Present Opening

Open present’s children brought or have made on the day. Thank each child.

What would they need for their new home?

Puppet

Billy & Poppy can tell each child “Child’s Name  
“ Jesus Loves You.”

**Teacher will use:**

Noah’s Ark CD

5 Butterfly Song

Book/ Flash cards: “Jesus Goes to a wedding.” By Jill Kemp (Web.)  
Boy & Girl doll – veil. Table cloth food, place mats, plates etc.  
Grapes. Jugs , Cordial, small communion or “shot” plastic  
glasses, wedding cake, knife – with bow, Low “table” with cloth  
for wedding.

- Read Bible Story: John chapter 2.

Pray for each *child, that God will help them to  
learn the principal you are teaching* today.

Pray for their families.

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5 Butterfly Song

2. God Made The Sunshine – hope it is a fine day for  
the wedding!

**P**lease ensure:

\*New people fill out enrolment form.

\*The Roll is ticked

New people get CD pack

Children take home :

Book "Jesus Goes To A Wedding" by Jill Kemp

Activity: Wedding feast!

Thanks to all our awesome helpers!

**5 Butterfly Song – Noah's Ark Cd**

Butterfly

Robin

Fish

Heart Smile

Jesus

made me your child

Elephant

Kangaroo

Octopus

Heart Smile

Jesus

made me your child

Wiggerly Worm

Crocodile

Fuzzy Wuzzy Bear

Heart Smile

Jesus

made me your child

## 2. God Made The Sunshine.

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Noah's Ark.

Words MY BIG BIBLE

**God made the sunshine**

**...rain**

**....night**

**....day**

**God made the Caterpillars and**

**The Bumble Bee**

**But best of all**

**Most of all**

**God made me!**

**And God made the earth**

**... sky**

**... birds that fly so high**

**... fish that swim in the sea**

**Yes best of all**

**Most of all God made me ....**