EXPLORE

As a family, read The Action Bible story on pages 552–553 or The Action Bible New Testament on pages 42–43. Read this true Bible story found in John 2:1–13, 23–25.

Here is what the story is about:

During the time Jesus lived on earth, wedding celebrations could last for days. One time, Jesus and His disciples were invited to a wedding celebration. Jesus' mother, Mary, was there as well. A few days into the celebration, they ran out of wine. This would be very embarrassing for the bride and groom. Mary asked Jesus to fix the problem. She told the servants to listen and obey Jesus's instructions. Jesus told the servants to fill six stone water jars with water. Then, He told a servant to dip some liquid out of the jar and serve it to the person who oversaw the celebration. The person tasted the water and was surprised that it was the best wine he had ever tasted. Jesus performed His first miracle. The disciples were amazed. Jesus continued performing miracles and people began to wonder if Jesus was the Messiah God had promised to send.

REMEMBER

Answer each question with the information you learned from the story:

- > Who was invited to the wedding feast in Cana? Jesus, his mother Mary, and the disciples.
- > What problem did the hosts of the wedding feast have a few days into the celebration? They ran out of wine.
- **> How did Jesus solve the problem?** Jesus performed a miracle. He turned water into delicious wine. The people are amazed!

DISCUSS

Mary instructed the servants to listen to and obey Jesus. The servants were probably confused about why they needed to fill six stone jars with water, but they chose to obey. Because of their obedience, they were able to witness a miracle.

- Has there been a time in your life that you needed to listen to and obey God? What was the result?
- > Have you ever witnessed a miracle?

John, one of Jesus' disciples, wrote a gospel documenting things Jesus did while on earth. John shared about seven signs and miracles that Jesus performed. Turning water into wine was the first miracle.

> What do Jesus' miracles teach us about Him?

Jesus' miracles show us His divine nature and power. They show God's love for mankind and His plan for healing, redemption, and restoration.

BLESSING

Read the blessing below or create a blessing of your own based on John 2:23:

(Child's name), may you know that Jesus is the Messiah. May the miracles of Jesus strengthen your faith and belief in Him.

Act

Jesus blessed the wedding party and guests with an unexpected gift! Think of some friends, family, or people in your community who would be blessed by an unexpected gift or encouragement. How can you provide that gift? Maybe you can invite them over for a meal or deliver food to their house? Maybe you can write a note of encouragement? Maybe you can use a gift or talent of yours to honour or serve them? Discuss this as a family and find a time to unexpectedly bless someone!

