

It's About the Wine  
Isaiah 25:6-8; John 2:1-11  
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I. Introduction

II. Questions from the text (John 2:4)

- A. What does Jesus mean by "hour"? (2:4)
- B. Why have a miracle about wine?
- C. Why so much wine?
- D. How do we interpret this story?

III. Interpretation (Is. 25:6-8; John 4:46-19:30)

- A. Prophecy of the kingdom of God (25:6-8)
- B. Abundant wine as a symbol
- C. Use of wine in the rest of John
  - 1. As a reminder (4:46)
  - 2. At Jesus' hour (19:29-30)
- D. Bookends for emphasis

IV. What does this mean for us? (John 2:10-19:30)

- A. Jesus initiates the kingdom of God
- B. Our job: Look for it
- C. The wine
  - 1. Jesus takes the sour wine (19:30)
  - 2. Jesus wants for us abundant, good wine (2:10)
- D. Jesus invites us to the table

V. Conclusion: Graham Kendrick

"The Feast Is Ready" (1989)