

Life Of The Party | Ps Rob Buckingham

Discussion Questions

1. Discuss the confidence in Jesus that was demonstrated by Mary and the servants. Share occasions when you've demonstrated confidence in Jesus and what the result was. Have there been times when you should have been confident in God but weren't? What was it that stopped you? What was the outcome?
2. The first thing Jesus did with His first five disciples was take them to a celebration. Why do you think this was the perfect way to start their process of discipleship and spiritual formation? How can we best emulate this in what we do at Bayside Church especially in Connect Groups?
3. Discuss this statement from the message, *"To use these water pots for anything other than ceremonial purposes would have violated custom. But Jesus values celebration over ceremony and love over legalism."*
4. Christians are sometimes known as party-poopers and killjoys, and for what we're against rather than what we're for. How has this worked against the spread of the Gospel in Australia? What can we do to send a different message to the world around us?
5. Jesus' first miracle demonstrates that God loves quality and quantity. It was the BEST wine and Jesus provided 2,400 servings of it for the wedding feast. Share times in your life when God has demonstrated quality and quantity to you or someone you know.
6. Some people get hung up on whether the wine Jesus made was alcoholic or not. But this argument misses the point of the miracle. He did it to "Reveal his glory" – that is, to show who he is (God in human form) and what God is like. Have you ever had a different view of God? How does your view of God impact the way you treat others and live out your Christian faith?