

Lynn Valley Full Gospel Church
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Title: “*It’s Not Over Yet*”

Text: John 2:1-10

Jesus Christ’s first miracle – Water turned to wine

- We make plans for a joyful life
- Unforeseen things happen as we live in a changing world
- This story could be applied for an individual, a family, a community, or a nation, or even for humanity
- We had great expectations
- But many times the unexpected happens. What is our approach to the unexpected?

Some case studies...

1. Abraham and Sarah

- God promises to Abraham blessings and posterity (Genesis 12:1-3)
- Disappointment of barrenness overtakes (Genesis 15:2-3)
- Renewal of the promise (Genesis 17:15-17)

2. Elijah

- Triumph on Carmel (1 Kings 18:36-40)

- Fear in the midst of challenge (1 Kings 19:1-5)
- God reveals Himself to Elijah (1 Kings 19:1-18)
- Elijah continues triumphal ministry (1 Kings 19:19-21)

3. Israel as a nation

- God’s promise to those in exile (Jeremiah 29:10-14)

4. Disciples journey to Emmaus

- Walk in disappointment (Luke 24:19-21)
- The disciples’ eyes opened and journey back to Jerusalem (Luk3 24:28-35)

The central theme of the Christian life is perhaps “*it is not over yet. Better things are coming*”.

- God’s promise (Joel 2:28-29)
- God’s promise fulfilled (Acts 2:1-4)
- God’s promise waiting to be fulfilled (1 Cor. 15:50-58)

These are shadows of the greatest victory over death, which Jesus conquered for us.