

# The Reluctant Bridesmaid

Key Word: **Wedding**

Key Verse: When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." *John 2:3*

Claire was to be a bridesmaid. She had never been a bridesmaid before, but she'd always longed to be one.

Her long bridesmaid's dress was made out of green velvet, and Claire thought she'd never seen anything so beautiful.

On the great day, Claire wore some shoes with a little heel which felt terribly wobbly when she walked, and someone handed her a basket of flowers.

Then a big car arrived, which took the bridesmaids and the bride's mother to the church. They had to wait for a while in the church porch, which made Claire feel quite cold, but eventually the bride arrived.

This was it, the greatest moment of Claire's life! The church was full, and everyone turned to look as the wedding procession began its slow glide down the aisle.

But to her horror, Claire discovered it was very difficult to walk in the unfamiliar shoes. To her dismay, she found herself staggering and swaying, wobbling and tottering. She was used to running about in sneakers, and found it almost impossible to walk so slowly on the little heels.

Then, out of the corner of her eye, Claire noticed the congregation smiling. The smile grew to a chuckle and the

chuckle seemed to spread until every single person in the entire church was looking at her and roaring with laughter.

Claire felt herself grow bright red, and her lip began to tremble. Suddenly, she hated being a bridesmaid. Her wonderful day had all gone wrong.

A tear escaped and ran down her face onto the green velvet, where it settled with a little mark. Claire felt desperate. She was terrified that she might fall at any time.

She said a quick prayer: "Please, God, help me!"

Then she risked a glance around, and to her delight she spotted her parents, who were looking very pleased and proud.

Claire suddenly realized that nobody was laughing any more. And miraculously, she was walking straight without a single wobble!

Somehow, she knew now that it was going to be the best day of her life after all.

## Questions

**In the story, why was Claire disappointed?**

**What did Jesus do at the wedding in Cana when people were disappointed?**

Secret Phrase:  
Believed in Him.

Crossword Puzzle		Word Jumble	
Across	Down	Stone	Wine
1. Wedding	1. Steward	Mother	Galilee
3. Brim	2. Wine	Disciples	Hour
4. Third	3. Jesus' sash	Invited	Brim
7. Cana	4. Man's skull cap	Wedding	Gallons
8. Hour	5. Waist of man's robe	Servants	Served
9. Hour	6. Disciples	Steward	Glory
10. Glory	7. Girl's hat	Water	
11. Stone	8. Jug design		
	9. Table leg		

Drawing Comparison

## Answers

# Gospel Grams

Today's Gospel Story  
is from  
**John 2:1-11**



