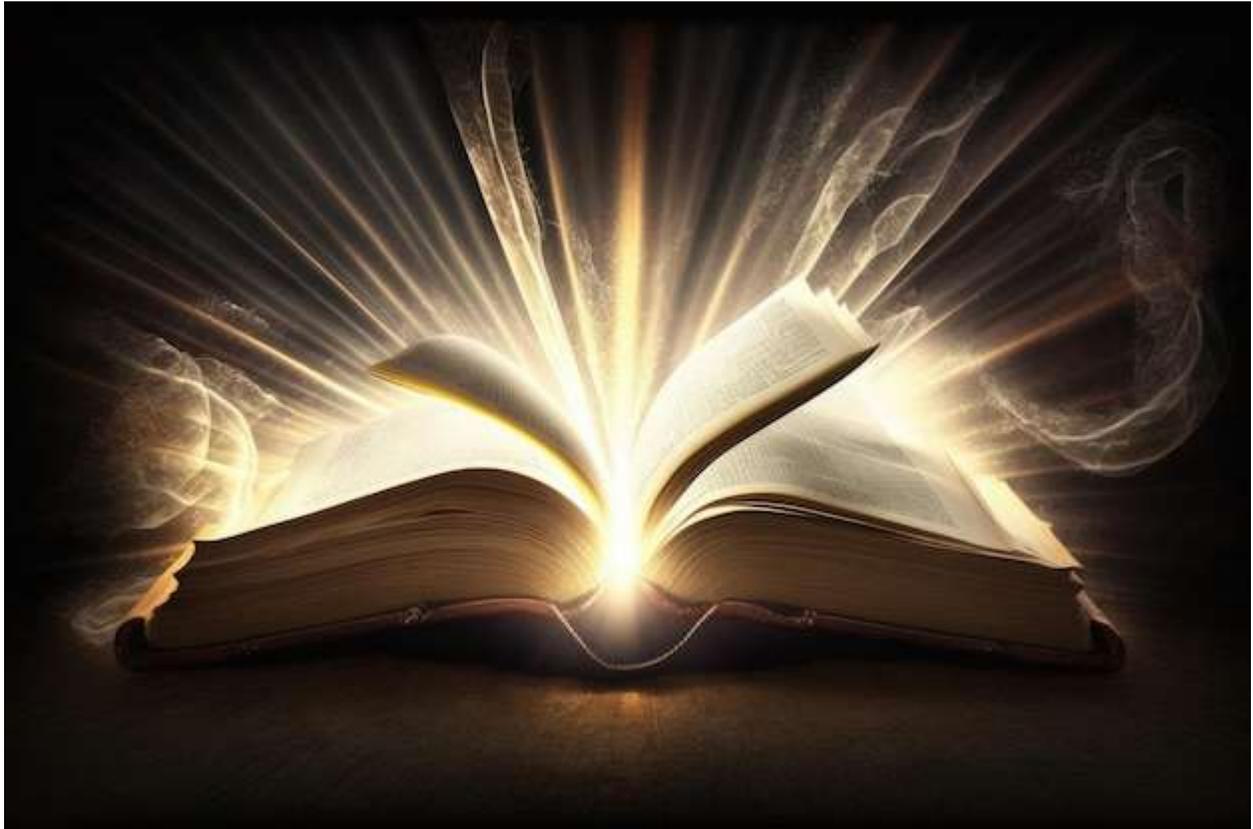


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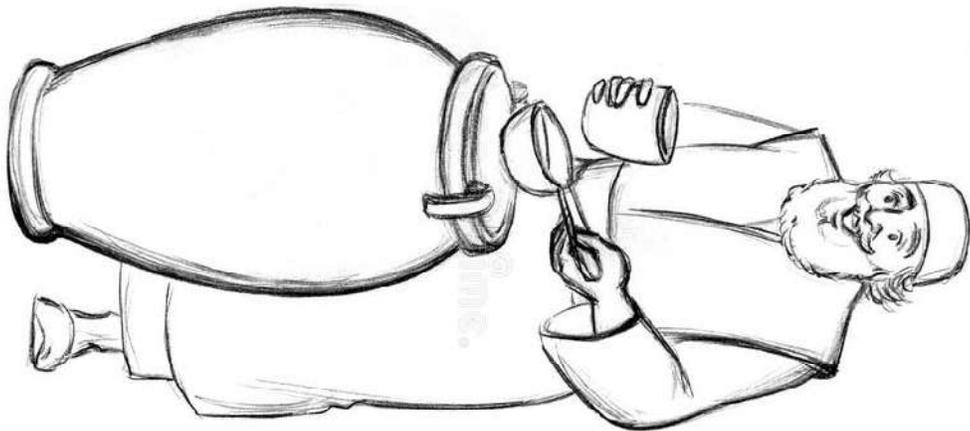
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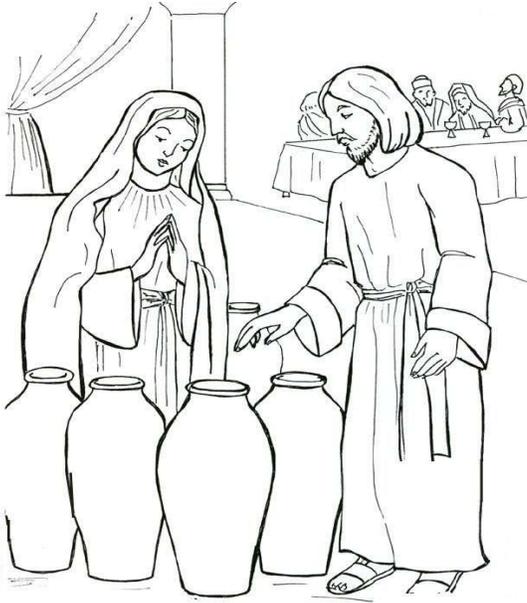
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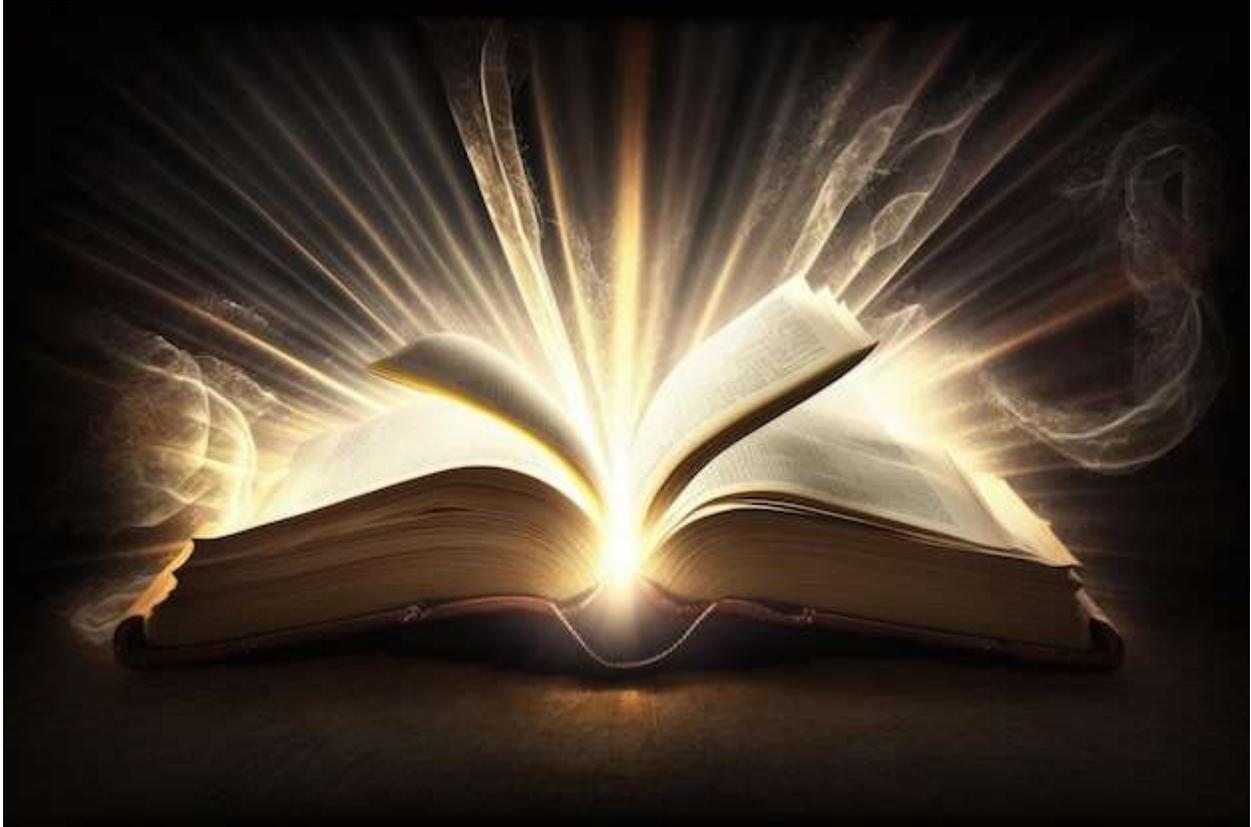


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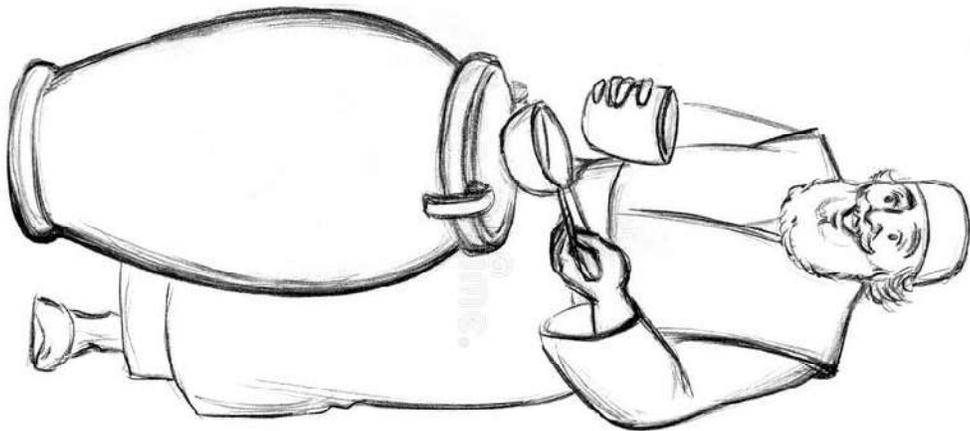
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Alternate Activity Printable: The Wedding at Cana Jesus Turns Water into Wine

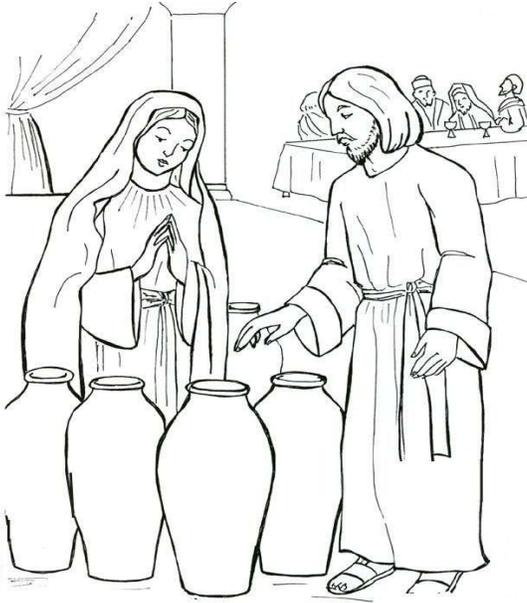
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Reference List:

Worksheet or Coloring Sheet:

Activity: <https://catholicblogger1.blogspot.com/2009/07/wedding-at-cana-file-folder-game.html>

The Wedding at Cana



1. What happened at the Wedding?
2. What did Jesus do?
3. Who was at the wedding with Jesus?

1. What happened at the Wedding?
Answer: They ran out of wine.
2. What did Jesus do? Answer: *He turned water into wine*
3. Who was at the wedding with Jesus?
Answer: His mother and disciples.