

The best for last

Have you ever thought what life would have been like during the life of Jesus? I have always found it interesting to try and place myself in the story I am reading in the Bible so it will become more of a reality to me. I live life from a very simple, practical standpoint, and it helps me understand others. It is one thing to read a story, but it feels better trying to immerse myself into the life of another.

When Jesus officially began His public ministry, John was baptizing in the Jordan River. He looked up that rocky Judean hillside and proclaimed, “Behold, the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world” (John 1:29). That day we see Jesus being baptized in the Jordan River, and the power of God descended on Him like a dove. That is when our Heavenly Father said, “This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased” (Matthew 3:17b). As Jesus began His public ministry it is interesting to me that the first glimpse we see of His life is a stop at a wedding in Cana of Galilee. Let’s look at some simple truths out of this story from John 2:1-11.

1. The Situation – Jesus is invited to the wedding. Now, I believe that Jesus should be present at every wedding. It is significant that a wedding would be on His list, because the greatest institution given by God is marriage. It was the first institution given in Genesis when we read about the lives of Adam and Eve. Jesus was a social being and He made time for social events, just as we should. It is instilled in us. All of a sudden, they had a serious problem. As the party was really getting started, they ran out of wine. In the Scripture, wine is the emblem of joy, and this gives us a true

picture of the religion of today. When the wine is gone, so is the joy.
2. The Savior – As well as Jesus being present, so was His mother. Mary comes to Jesus and makes a request. She wanted her Son to do something. I personally don’t believe she was wanting Jesus to show off, it was a request to help out of sympathy for the situation.
3. The Servants – They were instructed to do

whatever He told them to do, and this should be our motto today. They filled the pots with water because they were empty.
4. The Solution – After they had filled the pots with water, they were instructed to dip it out and serve it. Now, you must realize these pots held between 108 and 162 gallons. Jesus never does a little of anything. His work was carried out by human instruments.

5. The Satisfaction – All were amazed at the quality of the wine that was being served. They marveled at how good it was, and wondered why did they save the best for last? We must understand if the wine had been left in the pots, it would not have quenched anyone’s thirst. It is obvious by studying about the life of Jesus that He always saved the best for last. Here is a thought: Bear His cross, wear a

crown later. Endure the struggles of this life today, experience everlasting joy, peace, and happiness forever. We also see in verse eleven the effects on His disciples. Jesus manifested His glory and the disciples believed on Him. Do you believe in Him today? Do you know Him as your Lord and Savior? He is still a miracle-working Savior, and I am thankful He is.



JUST A THOUGHT

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STATE OF INDIANA) IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT 3
COUNTY OF GRANT) CAUSE NO: 27D03-2102-EU-000020
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE J C PARTON

Notice of Administration Without Court Supervision

Notice is given that John R. Atkinson was, on February 9, 2021 appointed personal representative of J C Parton, deceased, and authorized to administer the estate without court supervision.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the same in the Office of the clerk of the Grant County Superior Court 3 within three (3) months from the date of publication, nine (9) months from the date of death.

DATED at Grant County, Indiana this February 10, 2021.

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Marion Public Library, Grant County, Indiana Cash & Investments Combined Statement - 2020						
	Local Fund Number	Local Fund Name	Beg Cash & Inv Bal Jan 1,2020	Receipts	Disbursements	End Cash & Inv Bal Dec 31,2020
Governmental Activities	100	Library Operating	\$1,402,355.55	\$2,092,483.98	\$1,674,258.63	\$1,820,580.90
	110	Petty Cash & Change	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,500.00
	200	Gift, Endowment & Memorial	\$56,603.76	\$11,367.06	\$15,286.40	\$52,684.42
	200.1	Webster Gift	\$399,368.84	\$114,919.45	\$183,079.11	\$331,209.18
	200.2	Erlwine Gift	\$75,957.07	\$101.64	\$0.00	\$76,058.71
	200.3	Pulley Gift	\$45,288.84	\$60.61	\$0.00	\$45,349.45
	200.4	Swope Gift	\$51,813.14	\$69.30	\$0.00	\$51,882.44
	200.5	Modlin Gift	\$80,938.59	\$108.28	\$0.00	\$81,046.87
	200.6	Dietrich	\$62,681.39	\$83.88	\$0.00	\$62,765.27
	200.7	Jay House Construction	\$157.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$157.22
	200.8	Norm Smith Gift	\$0.00	\$93,880.83	\$0.00	\$93,880.83
	201	Rainy Day	\$135,599.73	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$135,599.73
	276	Grants Fund	\$368.87	\$1,000.00	\$1,210.02	\$158.85
	276.1	State Technology Fund	\$428.26	\$2,700.00	\$3,052.42	\$75.84
	277	Grant Fund CARES Act	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00
	400	Library Improvement Reserve	\$111,354.95	\$10,000.00	\$14,481.65	\$106,873.30
	800	Plac	\$4,523.70	\$970.00	\$1,360.00	\$4,133.70
	802	Payroll Deductions	\$0.00	\$64,833.99	\$64,833.99	\$0.00
		Total All Funds	\$2,428,939.91	\$2,393,979.02	\$1,958,962.22	\$2,863,956.71

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT III, GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF KENNETH V. KENNEDY
ESTATE NO. 27D03-2102-EU-000021

Notice is given that CHRISTOPHER L. KENNEDY was on the 9th day of February, 2021, appointed as the Personal Representative of the Estate of KENNETH KENNEDY, who died testate on the 24th day of January, 2021. The Personal Representative are authorized to administer the estate without Court supervision.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file a claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the Decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion, Indiana on: February 9, 2021.

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NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR 3 OF GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA.
In the matter of the Unsupervised Estate of: Rollie Eugene Clouse, deceased.
Cause Number 27D03-2102-EU-24

Notice is hereby given that on February 8, 2021, Daniel C. Steele and Connie E. Steele were appointed Personal Representatives of the estate of Rollie Eugene Clouse, deceased, who died on January 26, 2021.

All persons having claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion, Indiana, on February 9, 2021

/s/ Pamela K. Harris
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IN THE GRANT SUPERIOR COURT III, GRANT COUNTY, INDIANA
IN THE MATTER OF THE UNSUPERVISED ESTATE OF MICHAEL J. HOWELL
ESTATE NO. 27D03-21-01-EU-14

Notice is given that Dawn Parsons was on February 1, 2021, appointed Personal Representative of the estate of Michael J. Howell, who died testate on August 30, 2019. The Personal Representative is authorized to administer the estate without Court supervision.

All persons who have claims against this estate, whether or not now due, must file the claim in the office of the Clerk of this Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within nine (9) months after the decedent's death, whichever is earlier, or the claims will be forever barred.

Dated at Marion, Indiana on February 1, 2021.

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