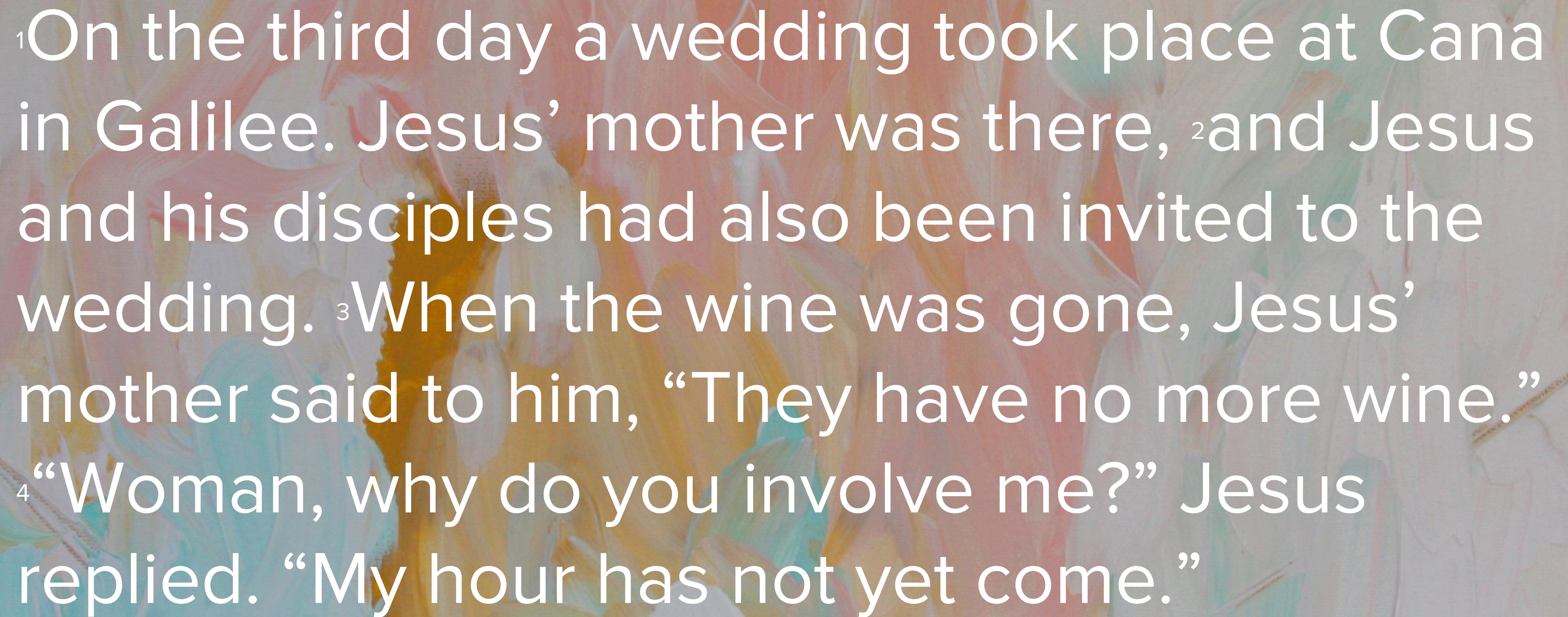




LESSONS FROM A SPIRITUAL MOTHER

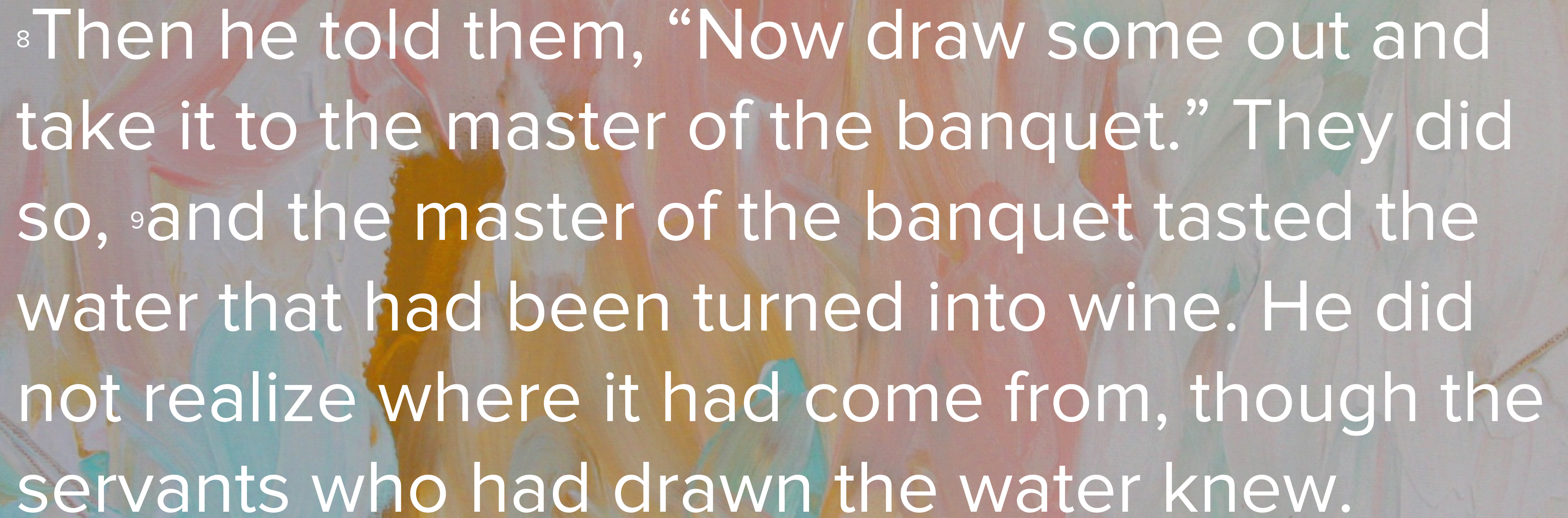


¹On the third day a wedding took place at Cana in Galilee. Jesus' mother was there, ²and Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. ³When the wine was gone, Jesus' mother said to him, "They have no more wine."
⁴"Woman, why do you involve me?" Jesus replied. "My hour has not yet come."

John 2:1-11 (NIV)



⁵His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.” ⁶Nearby stood six stone water jars, the kind used by the Jews for ceremonial washing, each holding from twenty to thirty gallons. ⁷Jesus said to the servants, “Fill the jars with water”; so they filled them to the brim.
John 2:1-11 (NIV)

The background is an abstract painting with warm, earthy tones of orange, red, and yellow, interspersed with cooler shades of teal and blue. The brushstrokes are visible and expressive. A faint, white outline of a person's head and shoulders is visible in the upper center, partially obscured by the text.

⁸Then he told them, “Now draw some out and take it to the master of the banquet.” They did so, ⁹and the master of the banquet tasted the water that had been turned into wine. He did not realize where it had come from, though the servants who had drawn the water knew.

John 2:1-11 (NIV)

Then he called the bridegroom aside ¹⁰and said, “Everyone brings out the choice wine first and then the cheaper wine after the guests have had too much to drink; but you have saved the best till now.” ¹¹What Jesus did here in Cana of Galilee was the first of the signs through which he revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

John 2:1-11 (NIV)





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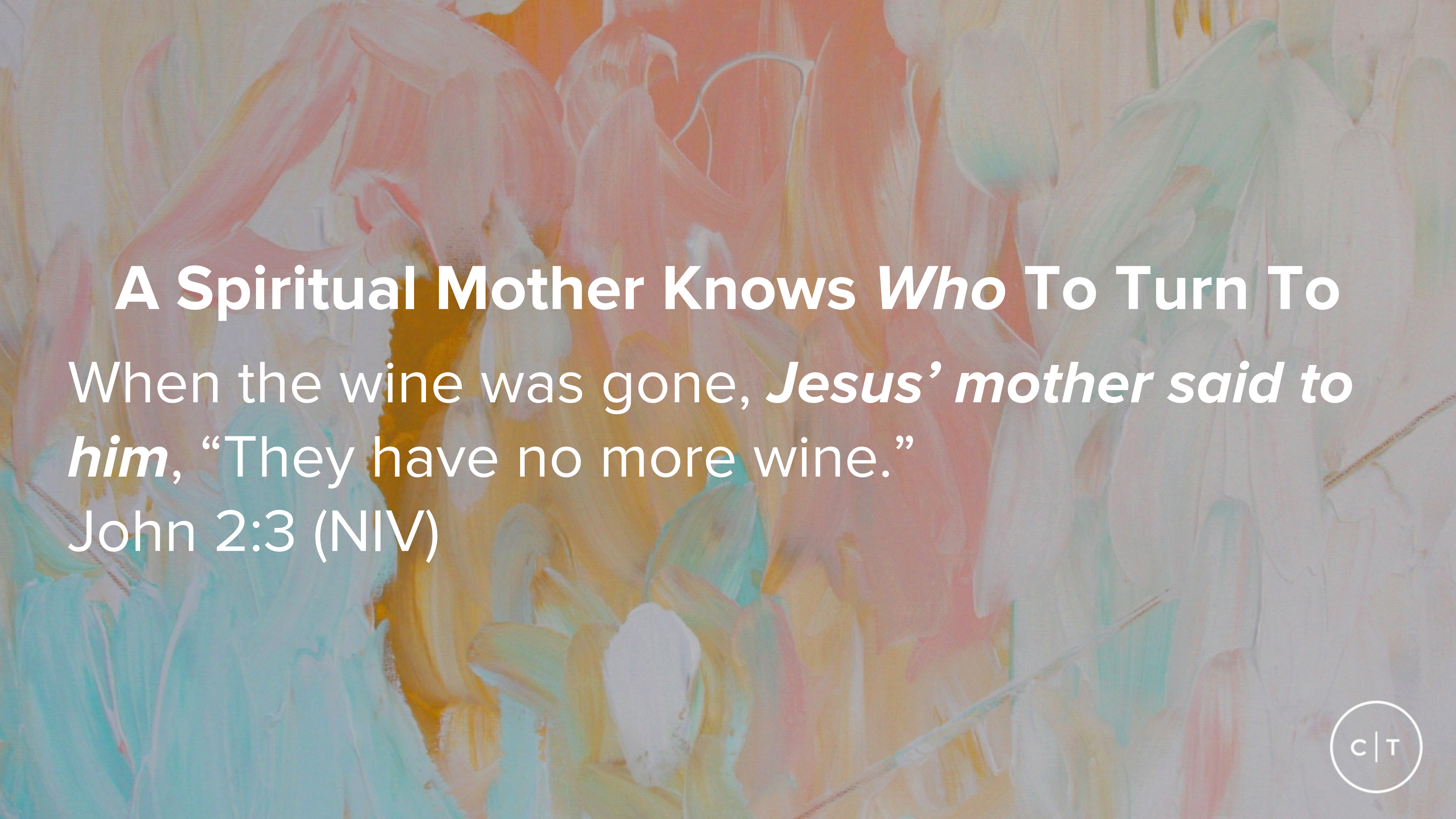
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Godly people are *spiritually in tune* with the
needs of others.





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John 2:3 (NIV)



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A spiritual mother sees Jesus for who He really is and that's what makes her so influential.

A Spiritual Mother Intercedes With Great Authority

“Woman, why do you involve me?” Jesus replied. “My hour has not yet come.” His mother said to the servants, “Do whatever he tells you.”
John 2:4-5 (NIV)



A Spiritual Mother Intercedes With Great Authority

There is more power in a mother's hand than in a
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—Billy Sunday, Evangelist

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John 2:8-10 (NIV)



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The wine was symbolic of the greater joy that only the Holy Spirit could bring.

