

I am honored to write to you dear Shepherdess. I admire you as I watch you faithfully stand by your husbands. Thank you for your hard work. For your compassion and commitment.

I want to talk with you about Jesus, who is still the miracle worker. Who wants to give to you whatever you lack, especially in your heart. I am sure that you remember the story well. Jesus' first miracle. The story can be found in John 2: 1-11. Mary, the mother of Jesus, finds him at the wedding and tells him, "They have no wine." Later Jesus tells the servants to "Fill the water pots with water". As the story goes this "water" was the best tasting wine served at the wedding.

I don't know about you, but I love weddings and wedding stories. I have read and reread this story many times throughout my life. Recently, this story spoke so clearly and afresh into my life. I was really discouraged. I was overwhelmed. I felt like I did not have the strength to face my tasks for each day. My schedule had changed, and I could no longer exercise and be with my friends each day. Also, I was all alone teaching my son, who has a learning challenge, because his teacher needed to stay in America for many more months. I did not know how to teach him, alone.

After reading this story around that time, I felt like Jesus asked me in my heart, "What miracle do you need? I am still the miracle working Jesus. Are there parts of your heart/life that you need "wine"? What is lacking?"

And in my prayers, I poured out my heart to Jesus. Telling Him all about the areas in my heart where I didn't have the strength to face each day. I felt so assured that day, and every day since, that Jesus wanted to take my empty pot and fill it with water, His living water, which would then be changed into wine. Strength for each day. Each challenge. There is NO LACK with Jesus around.

I want to ask you, dear Shepherdess, what are you lacking today? Where is there no more "wine" in your life? Is it in your marriage? Is it in your church? Is it in your family? Jesus still wants to be the miracle worker for you today. He is eager and waiting to pour His water of life into your empty vessel every day.

It is my prayer for you that you will experience the same miracle that I did and discover the miracle of Jesus working in your heart. Pouring out to you whatever you need. The best wine yet, is from Jesus. He is willing and ready to provide.

Do you cry out for something? Maybe it is wisdom or strength to keep doing what you must do every day.