Sermon Outline/Notes

"Jesus' First Miracle; Faith Reassured"
John 2:1-12 (John 1:1-12)

Introduction

- Jesus begins His earthly ministry by performing a miracle a remarkable miracle done in an unremarkable way
- The calling of Philip & Nathanael will help us answer this question
- I. 2 Aspects about the Miracle (vs. 1-10)
 - A Confirming Miracle (vs. 1-5)
 - o Performed in a small town, Cana; at a private wedding party (vs. 1-2)
 - Not at the request of His mother (vs. 3-5; Luke 2:49; John 5:36; Luke 8:19-21; John 1:14)
 - The Nature and Manner of Jesus' First Miracle (vs. 6-10)
 - Changed one substance into a totally different substance (vs. 6-7; Exodus 4:1-4; 7:14-25; Psalm 104:14-15)
 - Done in an unremarkable way (v. 7)
 - Superior wine (vs. 8-10)
- II. The Purpose of the Miracle (v. 11)
 - To Confirm Who He is
 - To Strengthen the faith of His Disciples

Conclusion/Application

- Our Faith is Confirmed in Two Ways
 - Miracles of Today
 - The Sacraments Baptism and The Lord's Supper (Heidelberg Catechism #'s 66 & 67)
- Serve the Lord according to Him word and in the power of the Holy Spirit