

SERMON NOTES

The Church Jesus Built: More Than a Meeting | Acts 2:42-47

Big Idea: the church that Jesus built is not an event that you attend, but a life that you share.

1. They Were a Learning Church [vs. 42-43]

- The first priority of the church is clearly given to the _____ of the Apostles.
- Our devotion to the apostles' teaching will mean submission to the authority of the _____.
- If you're walking in the fullness of the Spirit, you will be drawn to the _____.

Key Truth: Experience must always be tested by doctrine, not doctrine by experience.

- ✓ Are you sitting under the authority of the Word?
- ✓ Are you being renewed in the gospel daily?

2. They Were a Loving Church [vs. 42]

- Fellowship is sharing the life of _____, not just a social gathering.
- Their spiritual union worked itself out into _____ acts of love and support.
- When we fellowship, we gather with a goal; to _____ each other in spiritual growth.
- The phrase "One Another" helps underscore the idea that your spiritual growth is directly related to your _____ with one another.

The simple truth is... you can't 'one another' without another.

- ✓ Do you show up to events and meetings faithfully?
- ✓ Do you arrive early enough to interact with people on Sunday, or are you a ninja, slipping in late and excusing yourself before the service ends?

3. They Were a Worshipping Church [vs. 42]

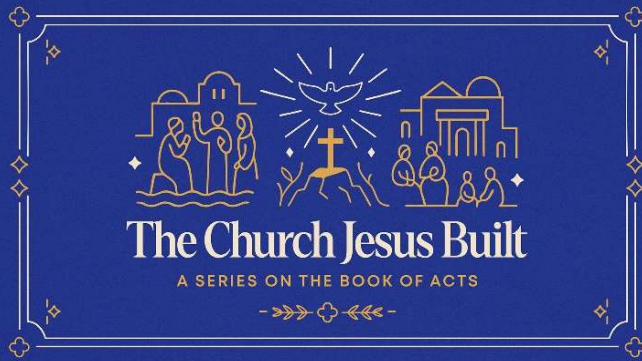
- The early disciples dedicated themselves to the _____ of _____.
- Prayer is not _____, it is a _____.

A healthy church is a praying church.

- ✓ How do you approach the Lord's Table?
- ✓ Do you attend services repentantly and joyfully?
- ✓ Are you praying with other brothers and sisters?

4. They Were an Evangelistic Church [vs. 47]

- A Spirit-filled church is a _____ church.
- ✓ How are you doing at speaking the gospel to the unbelievers in your networks?
- ✓ Are you serving your brothers and sisters as they have need?



Acts 2:41-47

41 Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. 42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. 43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. 44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common; 45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need. 46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, 47 Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.