

LEARNING WITH LUKE - ACTS 2:41-47 **TIME FOR DEVOTION** P. 1082 PEW BIBLE

Acts 2:42-47 - And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders & signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

1- Devoted to TEACHING - of the apostles

Acts 2:41-42 - learning

Acts 4:32-35, 6:7, 12:24, 13:19, 19:20 - congregation

Matt 16:18, Luke 24:27,44-47 - everything about Jesus

John 14:26, 15:26-27, 16:13-15, 17:17-21 - Holy Spirit

The apostles' gospel teaches that Jesus lives and reigns, to bestow salvation on those who respond to Him. -JRW Stott

These new Spirit-filled disciples were hungry with a love for God's Word, as a Bible-living church. -RK Hughes

2- Devoted to FELLOWSHIP - of the disciples

Acts 2:42 - sharing with one another

Eph 4:1-16, 5:18-20, Col 3:16-17, 1Pet 2:2,

Acts 1:14, 5:42, Heb 10:25, Matt 5-7, John 13 - together

Gal 2:9, Phil 1:5, 1John 1:3, 2Cor 13:14 - union with Christ

The 3,000 who received baptism entered a new family, defined by allegiance to the Lord Jesus Christ. -DE Johnson

3- Devoted to WORSHIP - of the Lord

Acts 2:42-43 - reverent fear

Luke 24:53, Acts 1:14, 3:1, 5:21,42 - services

Matt 6:5-13, Luke 11:1-13, John 17 - prayers

Matt 26:17-30, Luke 22:14-20,30,35,

Acts 20:7,11, 1Cor 10:16, 11:23-24 - Lord's Supper

The breaking of bread could be shared meals, but 'breaking of the bread' here refers to the Lord's Supper. -RC Sproul

4- Devoted to HOSPITALITY - one another

Acts 2:44 - all were together

Acts 12:12, 17:5, 18:7, 20:20, 21:8,16

Rom 16:5, 1Cor 16:19, Col 4:15, Phlm 2, 2 John 10

Acts 5:4, 1Tim 6:6-10, 17-19 - sharing

Fellowship and 'common' share the root koinonia, and was expressed primarily in the pooling of resources. -DE Johnson

5- Devoted to GENEROSITY - meeting needs

Acts 2:45 - distributing

Ezek 11:19, Luke 12:33, 16:9, 19:8,

Acts 4:32-35, Matt 19:21 - one accord

2 Cor 8:1-15, 9:1-15 - the Lord supplies

This is clearly not 'communism' but voluntary generous giving, while retaining personal possessions. -JB Polhill

6- Devoted to EVANGELISM - the Lord added

Acts 2:46 - being saved

John 15:26-27, 20:21-22, Luke 24:48, Acts 1:5,8, 2:11,21 - Holy Spirit

Acts 2:36-41, 5:11-16, 13:48, 16:14-15 - repentance & faith

Matt 16:18, 1Cor 3:9, Acts 5:14, 6:7, 11:21, 18:8-10 - the Lord builds His church

The church belongs to the Lord, and He is the one who sovereignly builds His church, as He promised. -RC Sproul

Does the Word of God, carried by the Spirit, descend like life-giving rain on your heart? your church? -DE Johnson

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8-21 **Luke 24:27,44-47** - teach

8-22 **Heb 10:19-25** - together

8-23 **1 Tim 6:6-20** - sharing

8-24 **2 Cor 8:1-15** - generosity

8-25 **2 Cor 9:1-15** - provision

8-26 **Acts 2:11,21,36-41** - faith

8-27 **1 Cor 11:17-34** - communion

The Spirit of God works the Word of God so the people of God become like the Son of God

♦ How will I be **transformed**, by God's truth, in the Spirit's power, as I trust & obey?

ACTS of the
Ascended
Lord Jesus Christ