

Message Notes

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Onward: Life Together
Acts 2:42-47
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■ What's a church look like when it's _____ by the _____?

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship,
to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Acts 2:42 ESV

What "They Devoted Themselves" Meant

■ *Devoted* = _____ to move toward _____. Acts 2:42,46

① _____ together by _____ to the apostles' teaching.

■ *Apostles' teaching* = our _____. Ephesians 2:19-22; 2 Peter 3:15-16

② _____ together by giving, serving & _____ willingly. Acts 4:32-37

■ *Fellowship (koinonia)* = have in _____, share w/another. 2 Cor 8:1-9; 1 Jn 1:3

③ _____ together in a _____ group & _____ group. Acts 2:42,46

④ _____ together & making room for _____ the Lord adds.

And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had.
Acts 2:44 CEV

What "They Devoted Themselves" Means

■ *Devoted* = to _____ one's self fully out of a "_____ to" spirit.

■ They move from a "_____ to" to a "_____ to" & a "_____ to" spirit.

■ Such devotion _____ up a church & makes the world take _____.

■ _____ your heart to Jesus changes your _____ in life.

Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke
bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts. Acts 2:46

■ Lord, let _____ devotion _____ devotion to Your church.

5 New Testament Word Pictures For Jesus' "Church"

His Body

Romans 12:1-7; 1 Corinthians 12:12-31;
Ephesians 1:22-23; 3:6; 4:1-16; 5:23,30

His Bride

2 Corinthians 11:2-3; Ephesians 5:25-27,31-32
Revelation 19:7-8; 21:9; 22:17

His Building

(of living stones)

Matthew 16:18; 1 Corinthians 3:16-17; 6:19
Ephesians 2:20-22; 1 Peter 2:4-10

His Family

Mark 3:33-35; Romans 8:15-17; Galatians 3:26;
Ephesians 1:5; 2:19; 3:14-21; Hebrews 2:10-11

His Flock

John 10:7,11,14-17,26-27; 21:15-18
Acts 20:28-31; Hebrews 13:20-21; 1 Peter 5:2-4

*Jesus' church is not a physical building of brick & mortar
but a people He's graciously redeemed by His sacrificial death.
Jesus' people are joined together by His Holy Spirit
to glorify God and invite others to trust in Jesus too.*