HOW THE GOSPEL SPREAD THEN AND NOW

Pastor Mark Young Acts 2:42-47

MESSAGE NOTES

Thursday, Aug 21 Sunday, Aug 24

Introduction Acts 2:42-47	notes
The Fellowship of Believers 42And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. 43And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were bing done through the apostles. 44And all who believed were together and hand all things in common. 45And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. 46And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, 47praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.	
A healthy church:	
Devotion to the word -Apostles Doctrine	
Devotion to one another - radical generosity	
Devotion to the breaking of bread -met in large groups and small groups	
Devotion to prayer - Prayer continued to be a theme (asking to experience God fully)	
Result people were being added daily.	
The greatest advertisement for the church is being healthy.	

GROUP DISCUSSION

Viral: How the Gospel Spread Then and Now. GateWay Church of Visalia, Pastor Mark Young, Acts 2:42-47 August 21st & 24th, 2025 From Decision to Discipleship

Prayer Requests:

Group Discussion: How has your life changed, now that you have experienced Jesus?

Read Aloud: Acts 2:42 - 47

- 42 And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. What were the early teachers teaching?
- 43 And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. Does God still perform miracles today? What are signs and wonders that you have experienced?
- 44 And all who believed were together and had all things in common. 45 And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. What made this work? How could the church do the same today?
- 46 And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, How important is fellowship with others? Do we really have to have both? Isn't it enough to just come to church?
- 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved. Do you see this happening in our church?