The Search for Spirituality

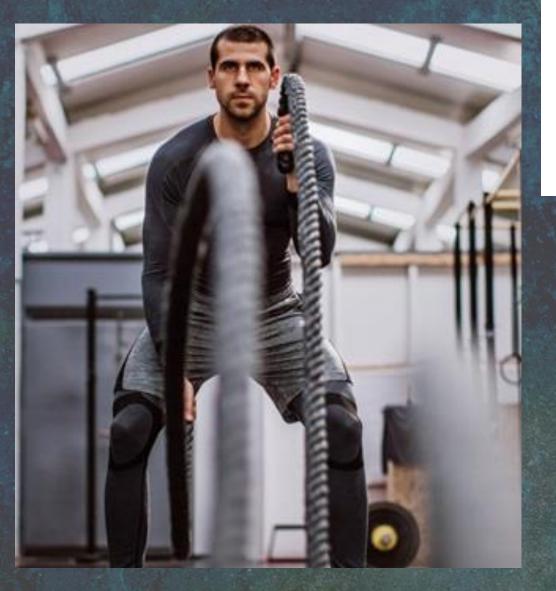
1/3 Adults under 30 belong to no religion

--Pew Research

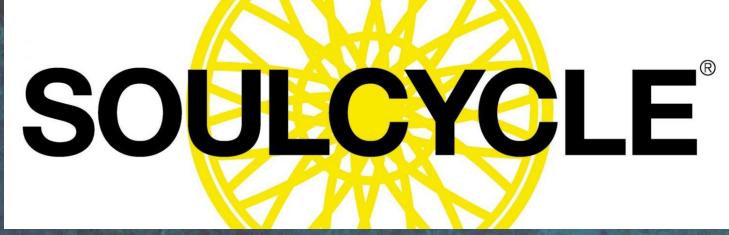
"Millennials are seeking meaning, community and ritual, in the absence of organized religion."

--Casper ter Kuile researcher at Harvard Divinity School

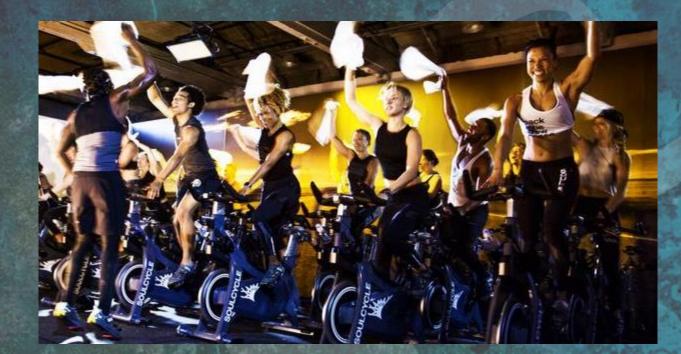








Find your soul







A SERIES IN THE BOOK OF ACTS

Don't Go To Church – Acts 2:42-47

The Early Church

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' <u>teaching</u> and to <u>fellowship</u>, to the <u>breaking of bread</u> and to <u>prayer</u>." Acts 2:42 NIV

A Learning Church

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' <u>teaching</u> Acts 2:42 NIV

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"Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles." Acts 2:43 NIV

"They devoted themselves to ... <u>fellowship</u>" Acts 2:42 NIV

Koinonia (GK) = Something in Common; Share something

"And our <u>fellowship</u> (koinonia) is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ." 1 John 1:3 NIV

"May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the <u>fellowship</u> (koinonia) of the Holy Spirit be with you all." 2 Cor 13:14 NIV

Koinonia (GK) = Something we <u>share in</u>; and something we <u>share out</u>. Koinonikos (GK) = Generous

"All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need." Acts 2:44-45 NIV

"If anyone has material possessions and sees a brother or sister in need but has no pity on them, how can the love of God be in that person?" 1 John 3:17 NIV

A Worshipping Church

"They devoted themselves to ... <u>the breaking of bread and</u> <u>prayer</u>" Acts 2:42 NIV

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

"Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer - at three in the afternoon." Acts 3:1 NIV

A Worshipping Church

Forming a friendship requires time, activity and communication. Dr. Jeffrey Hall professor at University of Kansas

40-60 hours to form a casual friendship 80-100 hours to form a friendship 160-200 hours to have a good/best Friend

A Growing Church

"...praising God and enjoying the favour of all the people. And the Lord <u>added</u> to their number <u>daily</u> those who were being saved." Acts 2:47 NIV

Be the Church

Learning – devote yourself to teaching Loving – Share in love with God and in others Worshipping – Prayer and communion - formal and informal Growing – Sent Out witnesses



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