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THE VERY FIRST CHURCH – ACTS 2:42-47

MODEL OF THE FIRST CHURCH

(v42) THEY DEVOTED THEMSELVES –

To _____ to
To remain by the _____ of
Cannot be taken _____ from

1) THE EARLY BELIEVERS *DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE APOSTLE'S* _____ *(v42)*

1 TIMOTHY 3:15 – the (local) church – a _____ and _____
of the truth

2) THE EARLY BELIEVERS *DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE* _____ *(v42, 46)*

FELLOWSHIP – shared things in _____; A _____ community

WHY BELIEVERS GO TO CHURCH

Some – motivated by _____
Many – motivated by _____ appeal
Growing Believers – motivated by _____ – have learned the
_____ value of the church itself!

DEVOTED TO TWO GATHERINGS

The _____ gathering in the _____
The _____ gathering in the _____

3) THE EARLY BELIEVERS *DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE* _____ *(v42)*

Luke 11:1 Prayer – the secret to Jesus' _____ *(Luke 11:1)*

Luke 18:1 Prayer – the remedy to believer's _____ *(Luke 18:1)*

Acts 4:31 Prayer – the source of the church's _____ *(Acts 4:31)*

THE BELIEVERS WERE DEVOTED – AND GOD RESPONDED

**1) THE BELIEVERS WERE DEVOTED AND GOD'S _____
CAME NEAR (*Acts 2:43*)**

**2) THE BELIEVERS WERE DEVOTED AND GOD'S _____ CAME
UPON THEM (*Acts 2:44-47a*)**

**3) THE BELIEVERS WERE DEVOTED AND THE LORD BROUGHT
_____ TO THE LOST (*Acts 2:47b*)**