

A Different Kind of Community

10/04/26 – Pastor Zach

Acts 2:42-47, Genesis 12:2, Ezekiel 36:24-25, 37:16-17, Acts 2:5

Joel 2:28-29

Connect: What do you think about the early church sharing everything in common? What would that look like today do you think?

Engage: Reread the verses above

What stands out to you in some of these verses? What is the Lord saying to you personally with those words or verses?

Zach talked about 3 different movements. Promise, Mercy, Spirit

1. God keeps His promises.
 - a. Throughout history – God has been weaving a Big Story! Genesis 12:2
 - b. Abram and Sara you will have a child ended up with the 12 tribes of Israel.
 - c. United under King David and God was honored. However, filled with sin and turned to Idols and away from God. The tribes were dispersed.
 - d. Then Ezekiel 37:16-17 – sticks- broken and scattered – God is going to bring them back to one people. Peter is preaching Acts 2:5
 - e. The Spirit is going to bring the Tribes together.
 - f. How does all of this sit with you? How do you feel knowing God keeps His promises? You do believe it? Where has God fulfilled some of your prayers?
2. God mercy renews our hearts
 - a. Ezekiel 36:24-25
 - b. There was no organization for the early church. How do you think this all worked?
 - c. Where does your heart have to be renewed by the Spirit? Where does your heart need surgery? What would that look like to have mercy towards others, not just the ones you like?
3. Can only be done by the Spirit
 - a. The partnership of Faith cannot be humanly constructed.
 - b. They looked at their lives and be in awe of what God has done.
 - c. Do you need the Spirit to work into your life or in relationships?

Zach had several questions he wants us to sit with and ponder with Jesus.

Where do I need to rest in God's faithfulness? Where are you striving to fix your life?

Where do I need forgiveness, healing or a softened Heart?

Apply: What is the invitation for you? Is there an area that I need to confess to Jesus?

Take a walk, grab some sticks, and write on the sticks that you need the Spirit of God to show up in. Take some time to pray.

