



# Study Guide

## **Acts 2:42-47**

### *“Say ‘Goodbye’ to the Comfort Zone”*

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#### **Consult the Scriptures:**

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*(Other Scripture referenced: Js. 1:2, Acts 2:1, 1:15, 2:41, 2:1-12, Jn. 17:14-23, Acts 9:31)*

#### **Discuss:**

1. What is a “*comfort zone*?” Pastor Patrick highlighted the follow words from the definition of the phrase: “*Safe, ease, manageable, familiar, and control.*” Are there other words that come to mind?
2. Is a “comfort zone” actually good for us? Is it good to always feel safe, or at ease, or to be in control, or for things to always be familiar? It that good for us? (See James 1:2 and discuss).
3. Read Acts 2:42-47 and discuss. Pastor Patrick said at first glance, this passage sounds like a “comfort zone.” In what ways does it *appear* that way? But what was the reality? Can you identify examples throughout the rest of the book of Acts?

4. Look at vs. 42 and discuss. Who are “they?” (See Acts 2:1, 1:15, 2:41, 2:1-12). What difficulty, hardship, unmanageability, unfamiliarity, etc. might have been introduced there? Now, look at the word “devoted” (vs. 42). What does that word assume?
5. Look at vs. 43 and discuss. What is the result of devotion despite difficulty? Can you give examples?
6. Read Acts 9:31 and discuss. What is God aiming to do through His church in this world? Can that be accomplished from a “comfort zone?” So what is God calling us to? And for what?
7. How might that apply to these uncertain days we are currently living in?
8. Where are you struck by the text this week? How will you respond?