

Recipe For Revival – Week 3

# Unselfish Involvement

Acts 2:42-47

**“We will be a church where members are equipped to disciple others. We will be a church where members meet together to study Scripture.”**

*“My food,” said Jesus, “is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.” John 4:34*

**You belong primarily to \_\_\_\_\_.**

**1. Consumer-based connection doesn’t \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be your slave— just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” Matthew 20:26-28*

**2. Consumer-based connection is not \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.” Acts 2:42-45*

*“All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God’s grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales and put it at the apostles’ feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.” Acts 4:32-35*

*“And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.” Acts 2:47*

**3. Consumer-based connection is very \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” Galatians 6:10*

*“Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.” 1 Corinthians 15:58*

## Vision 2025 Statement

We will be a church where members are primarily providers, not consumers. Like the New Testament Church, UCC will not treat members as consumers whose wants must be met in order for them to come. Rather, they will be treated as individuals who, from the start, are deeply committed to the church in ways that are meaningful, helpful, and sacrificial. Members will have a devotion to Christ’s Body that transcends whatever benefits they receive from it, for their motivation comes from something deeper. This commitment will allow relationships between members to deepen and thrive as the truth is spoken in love and accountability happens.