



"LOVING THE CHURCH"

VERSES & NOTES

WHAT DID YOU OBSERVE FROM THIS WEEK ABOUT GOD AND HIS CHARACTER?

WHAT DID THE MESSAGE TEACH ABOUT THE CONDITION OF MANKIND AND YOURSELF?

HOW DID THIS MESSAGE POINT TO THE GOSPEL?

WHAT STEPS CAN YOU TAKE THIS WEEK TO APPLY WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED?

And they devoted themselves to the Apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Acts 2:42-47

Why we are devoted to one another?

The disciples devoted themselves to the apostles teaching, indicating a deep commitment to learning from those who had walked with Jesus.

The emphasis on teaching underscores the importance of biblical instruction in the life of the church.

The community also shared meals together, likely to include the Lord's Supper, as a symbol of their unity and fellowship.

Breaking bread together was a regular practice, demonstrating the value of worship and shared life.

The believers were continually devoting themselves to prayer, a habit that fostered a sense of awe and reverence for God. This prayer life was accompanied by miracles, as the apostles' performed wonders and signs while these miracles were a manifestation of God's power, they also served as a catalyst for the community's growth and unity.

As we consider this passage, we're reminded of the importance of prioritizing instruction from God's Word and seeking guidance from mature believers. Fellowship regularly together with fellow believers, sharing meals, and celebrating the Lord's Supper. Praying to cultivate a habit of prayer, seeking God's guidance, and expressing gratitude for His blessings.

Embrace a spirit of selflessness and generosity, and be willing to share resources and talents with one another.

Maintain a sense of wonder and reverence for God's presence and power in our lives.

May we strive to emulate the early Church's commitment to community, mutual care, and devotion to God and may our lives be characterized by the same spirit of generosity, prayer and awe.