Why were the early Christians devoted to what they were devoted to? LIFE GROUP STUDY For Group or Personal Study - the week of September 15, 2019 Introduction: What does it mean to "excel" in something? What were some of the results? What does it mean to Excel into Spiritual Maturity? What might be other results of their devotion that are not listed in the text? WHAT DOES IT SAY? **Read Acts 2.42-47** What did the early church devote themselves to? Read 2 Corinthians 8.7 What did the Corinthians excel in? "This act of grace" refers to their giving, their offerings, their contributions, their stewardship.... Why does Paul add this to what they should excel in? What kind of picture do you have of these early Christians? WHAT IS GOD SAYING TO YOU? Between Acts 2.42-47 and 2 Corinthians 8.7, what do you sense God is encouraging you to be more devoted to as you grow into the fulness of Christ? If you are willing, share your answers, and then spend time praying **WHAT DOES IT MEAN?** for one another as you encourage each other to excel even more.

What does it mean to be "devoted"?

Spend time in prayer focusing on the character, nature and names of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

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Doing Life Together As We Excel In Grace Acts 2.42-47



NEW LIFE GROUPS BEGIN THIS FALL!

On Sunday, Sept 15 you will have an opportunity to meet many of our Life Group leaders and sign up for groups that will begin the week of Sept 22!

THE PURPOSE OF LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups can be short, 10-week sermon-based groups that promote spiritual growth through building meaningful Christian relationships and the study of God's Word (Colossians 1.28).

Here's how it happens:

SHARE: We share what is happening in our lives.

STUDY: We study and discuss the questions on this sermon notes page in relation to Sunday's sermon. Our goal is to apply what we learn.

SUPPORT: We do this by: praying for one another, encouragement, listening, challenging one another and meeting needs.

SERVE: We do a service project during each quarter we meet. Our desire is to share God's love with others by meeting real needs.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT LIFE GROUPS?

STOP BY THE WELCOME CENTER IN THE GARDEN ROOM!

Questions about Life Groups? Call the church at 248-7940

We will Excel in Grace as we devote ourselves to:

1. The right **Things**

2. The right Relationships

3. The right **Attitudes**