

CHURCH: YOUR CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2:42-47 (NIV)

1. As a church we STUDY the BIBLE together: *They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching...* (v. 42a)
2. As a church we CONNECT to one another: *... and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and prayer.* (v.42b)
3. As a church we HELP one another: *All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who has need.* (v. 44-45)

Each one of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

Philippians 2:4 (NIV)

4. As a church we WORSHIP together: *Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts... praising God and enjoying the favor of the people.* (v. 46a-47a)
5. As a church we HAVE FUN together: *They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts...* (v. 46b)

I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord.

Psalms 122:1 (KJV)

6. As a church we REACH NEW PEOPLE together: *And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.* (v. 47b)