

Discussion Questions

September 12 – 18

If you missed the weekend sermon, you can find it here:

<https://www.biblechapel.org/sermons/>

1. If you could write a book, what genre would you write it in? Mystery? Thriller? Romance? Historical fiction? Non-fiction? (Icebreaker courtesy of Mike/Yvette Hershey's Group).

Read Acts 2:42-43. Acts 2:42 explains that the early church devoted themselves to four things. Let's think through the importance of these foundational elements.

2. **The Apostles Teaching.** Read 2 Timothy 3:16-17. Why is personal Bible study critical to Christian growth? How can studying the Bible in a group enhance the impact of Scripture in a person's life?
3. **Fellowship.** The Greek word for "fellowship" is *koinonia*. It means to have a close association that allows for meaningful connection and care. Share a time when you have experienced *koinonia*. What needs to happen in a group for *koinonia* to be experienced?
4. **Breaking of Bread.** In the early church, believers often shared a meal together. These were called Agape Meals (agape is a Greek word that describes the love believers have for each other). At the end of the Agape Meal, there was often a focus on the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus—what we call communion or the Lord's Supper. Two things to discuss: First, why is having a meal together such an important part of Christian community? Second, how can we always incorporate the remembrance of Jesus' work in our lives into our "breaking of bread" together?
5. **Prayer.** Talk about the importance of prayer in your time together. How can you make your groups time of talking to God more meaningful and significant?

Bible References

Acts 2:42-43

⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe^[a] came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles.

2 Timothy 3:16-17

¹⁶ All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷ that the man of God^[a] may be complete, equipped for every good work.

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