Pathway: Transformed Together

Acts 4:32-37 & 2 Timothy 3 September 21, 2025

What is the difference between a great redwood tree and a potted tree in your living room?

"The problem with being a potted plant is that you're confined to the boundaries of your container. You can only grow as large as the container you've planted yourself in."

- Elise Lakey

"Redwood roots are very shallow, often only five or six feet deep. But they make up for it in width, sometimes extending more than 100 feet from the trunk . . . Redwoods do not survive alone. They form 'tribes,' sometimes growing so close to each other that they merge at the base into one tree. They provide each other strength and support: intertwining roots. Not deep, but wide, living in an embrace of others."

- Redwood National Park

The tallest trees in the world would never reach their full potential without the support of their 'tribe!'

- Acts 2:42-47

How did the early church move forward during times like these?

A Commitment to Keep the Main Thing the Main Thing

- Acts 4:32-37

Acts 2	Acts 4
Devoted to the Apostles teaching	Apostles had great power in teaching
Together and had all things in common	Were of one heart and soul
Selling possessions and belongings	Owners sold their land or houses
Not a needy person among them	Not a needy person among them

PEOPLE were the main thing of the New Testament early church!

A Commitment to Grow

2 Timothy 3

"All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man [or woman] of God may be complete, equipped for every good work" (2 Tim. 3:16-17)

Being transformed by Scripture isn't about right and wrong, it's about life and death!

Challenge FOR Every Alaskan:

- 1. Break Bread Together
- 2. Get in the Word Together