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### **Application & Conclusion:**

Certainly, this is no exhaustive list of all that a church could/should be and do. That said, we can see that these people found favor in their community and, more importantly, with God.

The greatest church growth strategy is simply to be a faithful church, devoted to the right things. God Himself will bring the growth. All we need to focus on is love and good deeds, just as the scripture tells us.

Love God, His Word, each other, and your neighbors.

Do good deeds through generosity, hospitality, sharing your lives along with the good news of Jesus Christ.

### **Reflection Questions:**

**1. What does this teach me about God?**

**2. What does this teach me about me?**

**3. How do I apply this to my life?**