Series "The Acts Of God" "The Spirit Filled Church" Acts 2:42-47 Study-6

1. Verse 42 - What The Church Should Do 2. Verses 43-47 - What The Church Will See

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Acts 2:42

Acts 2:40-41

continually means "Emphatically"; This is what they were committed and working towards; it was the goal, it was settled in their hearts and minds.

The 4 Basics of The Church:

1. A Church Committed To Teaching: (Learning God's Truth) to the apostles' teaching

Acts 2:41 added that day about three thousand souls.

1 Peter 2:2

Teaching or Doctrine – means "systematic or thorough approach to teaching"; It describes the body or the sum total of a teaching or teachings.

Note that the emphasis was not the Apostles (Men) but their Teaching (Doctrine), their Truth.

things pertaining to <u>Jesus Christ</u>. The Gospels -

The relationship of the Old Testament to these New Testament events.

Acts 2:14-41

Later included the expanding New Testament books inspired of the Holy Spirit. Epistles –

2 Peter 1:20-21

1 Cor 11:23

1 Thess 2:13

The Apostles Teaching (Doctrine), was the authority of the Truth of God not merely that of men.

Jesus said to the Apostle Peter – John 21:15-17 <u>3X Feed my Sheep</u>.

2. A Church Committed To Fellowship: (Loving One Another) and to fellowship; Greek word Koinonia – 1st time in the NT; "partnership, participation, a sharer, associate, communion"; Literally means "having in common a joint partnership and sharing based on a common ground."

Church – Greek word Ekklesia "to call out" or "called out ones"

1 John 1:3

Eph 4:2-6

The great evidence of God's life in us is fellowship with others that belong to God. 1 John 3:14

3. A Church Committed To The Lords Supper: (Worshipping God) to the breaking of bread

Jude 1:12 love feasts when they feast with you

1 Cor 11:26

It is clear that Communion is for believers only. 1 Cor 11:28-31

1 Cor 11:26

4. A Church Committed To Prayer: (Aligned To God) and to prayer. They stuck to prayer; <u>Habitual Action</u> of the disciples was that of prayer.

Acts 1:14

1 Thess 5:17

Col 4:2

2. Verses 43-47 - What The Church Will See:

Acts 2:43

And what Luke records – The 4 Results of this type of fellowship:

1. Verse 43 – Christian Fellowship Marked by Reverence – And everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; "fear, feeling of awe, reverence"

Acts 2:37

1 Peter 2:17

Acts 2:44

2. Verses 44-45 – Christian Fellowship Marked by Oneness in Love – And all those who had believed were together, or "kept together, held together"; The basis of togetherness was belief

Acts 2:45

This Giving Was Voluntary - Acts 5:3-4

This does not teach Communism – compulsory giving says "What's yours is mine"; Socialism – giving a portion, but with the difference that was based on generosity: "What's mine is yours"

Acts 2:46

3. Verses 46-47 – Christian Fellowship Marked by Worship and Joy – And day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, (Formal Worship)

and breaking bread from house to house, (Informal Worship)

Acts 2:47

Favor With All People – and having favor with all the people.

4. Verse 47 – Christian Fellowship Marked by Continuous Growth – And the Lord was adding to their number day by day

Application: Acts 2:42

- 1. A Church Committed To Teaching: (Learning God's Truth)
- 2. A Church Committed To Fellowship: (Loving One Another)
- 3. A Church Committed To The Lord's Supper: (Worshipping God)
- 4. A Church Committed To Prayer: (Aligned To God)
- 5. A Church Will See Continuous Growth And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.