

## **TRUE COMMUNITY & TOGETHERNESS**

"Come together, right now, under HIM"

An Example of Christian Fellowship From Acts 2:42-47

Talk about good "first impressions."

This earliest snapshot of the just-begun church is one flattering baby picture.

Read it until you have a godly envy.

Acts 2:41 "Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. 42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. 46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved." NIV

WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM THEIR:

Core Commitments:

- v The Apostles' Teaching
- v The Fellowship
- v The Breaking of Bread
- v Prayer

Defining Characteristics:

- v Awed by God: His mighty works through the Apostles
- v Unity / Togetherness: Relational & Physical
- v Openness with Their Possessions
- v Sacrificial Proactive Sharing
- v Regular Corporate Worship
- v Regular Fellowship / Shared Meals
- v Worshippers
- v Enjoying the Favor of the People
- v Entrusted by God with new believers daily