

A
Church
Challenge

Acts 2:42-47

42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.

44 And all that believed were together, and had all things common;

45 And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need.

46 And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart,

47 Praising God, and having favour with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.

I. Four Practices of The Church (42)

A. Doctrine

B. Fellowship = Partnership or sharing

C. Breaking of Bread = Lord's Supper

D. Prayer

II. Two Perceptions In The Church (43)

A. Reverence For God Displayed

Psalm 34:11

Come, ye children, hearken unto me: I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

The Fear Of The Lord is Taught Versus Caught

B. Power of God Demonstrated

1 Corinthians 2:5

That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God.

1 Corinthians 4:20

For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power.

III. The Participation In The Church (44-47)

A. All together (44-45)

1. In belief

2. In meeting needs

B. In consistency (46)

C. In unity (46)

Psalm 133:1

**Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren
to dwell together in unity!**

D. In worship (47)

E. In witnessing (v 47)

IV. The Result For The Church (47)

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