

## Devoted Church

April 16, 2023 | Acts 2:24-41 | Pastor Mike Foster

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· Sharpen the focus of your devotion

- o Be devoted to the Word (Apostles' teaching)
  
- o Be devoted to one another (fellowship)
  
- o Be devoted to Christ-centered worship (breaking of bread)
  
- o Be devoted to prayer

· Enjoy the fruits of your devotion

- o A church in awe of God
  
- o God's provision for our needs
  
- o Joyful relationships
  
- o More people coming to Jesus

## GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. When you hear the word "church," what are some images or words that first come to mind? How does this vision of church in Acts 2:42-47 differ from understandings or expressions of "church" today?
3. What does it look like for a church to be devoted to the Word? What does it look like for a Christian? In what ways might you increase your devotion to God's Word?
4. When you hear the word "fellowship," what are some images or words that first come to mind?
5. In what ways would you say "fellowship," as we defined it in the message, is different from general relationships or friendships?
6. Describe a time when you experienced true Christian "koinonia" fellowship with other believers.
7. What would have to change in order for Christians to value relationships in the church more than the false security of possessions?
8. Read Hebrews 10:24-25. What are some ways we are tempted to get out of habit in meeting together for Christ-centered worship? How can we overcome these temptations?
9. What did it look like for Jesus and the early church to be devoted to prayer? What would it look like today for Christians to be more devoted to prayer?
10. What is one spiritual goal you could set and depend on the Lord to help you achieve as a way of responding to this message?

## FOR FURTHER REFLECTION

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Participate in one of our Adult Bible Fellowships (ABFs) on Sundays, home groups, or ministry group.

Memorize Acts 2:42. Meditate on Acts 2:42-47 and Acts 4:32-35.

Read "Captured. Committed. Contagious"

- <https://bit.ly/capturedcommittedcontagious>

Read about the "Orienting Community" of the church

- <https://bit.ly/orientingcommunity>

Read about 12 Characteristics of a Healthy Church

- <https://bit.ly/healthychurch12>

Read "What was an Apostle?"

- <https://bit.ly/whatapostle>

Read *Nine Marks of a Healthy Church*

by Mark Dever and H. B. Charles

Listen to "King of Kings"

- [https://bit.ly/kingofkings\\_song](https://bit.ly/kingofkings_song)

