



Devoted to What?
Acts 2:40-47

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A Spirit-filled church

- ❖ Devoted to the apostles' teaching
- ❖ Devoted to fellowship
- ❖ Devoted to "the breaking of bread"
- ❖ Devoted to prayer

Peter's sermon (Acts 2:14-40)

- ❖ This is a fulfillment of prophecy (15-21).
- ❖ Jesus is the Messiah (22-32).
 - ❖ His works showed it.
 - ❖ His resurrection showed it.
- ❖ Jesus poured out the Holy Spirit (33-36).
- ❖ Application (37-40)

Acts 2:40-41

With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

“Together”

- ❖ **“All the believers were together” (44)**
- ❖ **“they continued to meet together” (46)**
- ❖ **“They broke bread in their homes and ate together” (46)**



Acts 2:42

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Devoted to what?

- ❖ The apostles' teaching
- ❖ Fellowship
- ❖ “the breaking of bread”
- ❖ prayer

Ephesians 2:19-20

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son,
our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy
Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried; he descended to the dead.

Apostles' Creed

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Apostles' Creed

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic and apostolic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Luke 24:27

And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

Jesus was devoted to Scripture:

- ❖ When he was tempted
- ❖ When he was teaching
- ❖ When he was tested
- ❖ When he was betrayed
- ❖ When he suffered

Luke 24:32

They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”



Acts 2:43

Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.

Acts 2:44-45

All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.

Acts 2:46-47

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, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Early church worship

- ❖ Formal and informal
 - ❖ “in the temple courts”
 - ❖ “in their homes”
- ❖ Joyful and reverent
 - ❖ “with glad and sincere hearts”
 - ❖ “filled with awe”



Results of Spirit-filled church:

- ❖ Joy
- ❖ Praise
- ❖ Growth

C. S. Lewis:

“I think we delight to praise what we enjoy because the praise not merely expresses but completes the enjoyment; it is its appointed consummation. It is not out of compliment that lovers keep on telling one another how beautiful they are; the delight is incomplete till it is expressed.”

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Are you being called?

- ❖ To receive Christ
- ❖ To become a member of Melbourne Community Church
- ❖ To pray / to receive prayer
- ❖ To affirm or reaffirm a commitment
- ❖ To receive the LORD's Supper