

June 21, 2020 - Being the Lord's Church

Acts 2:42-47

V.42 - "devoted" - Absolutely resolute and steadfast. (Titus 3:8)

- "the apostles' teaching" - What the apostles had learned from Jesus.

- "the fellowship" - 'koinonia' oneness with the Lord Jesus and with one another.

- "the breaking of bread" - The Lord's Memorial Supper.

- "the prayers" (Greek) - All kinds of prayers and praying.

V.43 - "Everyone" - All the unbelieving folks around Jerusalem who were *initially* favorable toward the believers (V.47).

- Everyone was awe-struck, leading to what Luke describes in the latter part of V.47.

Vv.44-45 - The believers were unified in their concern and care for one another.

- Occasionally sold possessions and shared the proceeds with brothers and sisters in need.

Vv.46-47 - It was their daily practice to gather together (with one heart and mind) in the courts of the temple.

- Opportunity for worship, teaching, preaching, testifying and witnessing.

- They shared their meals "from house to house" (KJV, HCSB).

- They did so with praise-filled hearts that were glad and full of sincere joy before God.

- **The Lord** added daily to His Church.

- He still does today AS we continue to be faithful in our devotion and obedience to Him and in our witness of Him.