

Becoming the Church We All Need

week three: "devoted to fellowship"

follow-up discussion questions

Acts 2:42 – *"They devoted themselves to fellowship..."*

- What was something specific from the message this past Sunday that connected with you (an encouragement, a challenge, a new way of thinking)? Were there any questions that lingered for you?
- What words, images, associations come to mind when we hear/read the word "fellowship"?
 - *How is Christian/biblical fellowship related or different to these?*
- Why is *being devoted to fellowship* so **important** to life in Christ?
- How has God used the devoted fellowship **of others** to foster, nurture and mature your faith? (linger here – and tell your stories)
- How would you describe your present *devotion to fellowship* in this season?
- What **holds us back** from *being devoted to fellowship*? How is it costly?
- What does being devoted to fellowship **require** of us (individually and together)?
 - Are there any practices/disciplines that you/we need help understanding, cultivating and prioritizing – for the sake of becoming *stronger toward* fellowship?

Putting this into Practice:

Being devoted to fellowship starts with openness – opening up to the joys and pains of others, and being open about the joys and pains of our own lives. Take some time to share together – *"What is something that has been a source of joy to you recently? And what is something that has been a source of sorrow?"* Listen with an open heart to one another, and risk sharing with one another. Take some time to **pray** for one another in regard to what has been shared, and ask God to keep these things in your heart in the coming days as you walk forward in your friendships...