

Are We the Church?

“Fellowship”

Acts 2:42-47 – July 19, 2026

Our Sermon Series

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Introduction

- **Acts 2: 42-47** They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to **fellowship**, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all the believers were together and had all things in common; ⁴⁵ and they would sell their property and possessions and share them with all, to the extent that anyone had need. ⁴⁶ Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.
- Fellowship = Koinonia
- **1 Corinthians 1:9** God is faithful, through whom you were called into **fellowship** with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **Philippians 2:2-4** being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. ³ Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility consider one another as more important than yourselves; ⁴ do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.
- **Ephesians 4:1-6** Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ being diligent to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you also were called in one hope of your calling; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.

1. We are called to **ONE MIND**.

- **1 Corinthians 1:10** Now I exhort you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all agree, and there be no divisions among you, but you be made complete in the **same mind and in the same judgment**.
- **2 Corinthians 13:11** Finally, brethren, rejoice, be made complete, be comforted, **be like-minded**, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you.
- **Romans 12:16, Romans 15:5**

Application #1:

- ☐ Accept Jesus as my Lord and Savior, becoming part of the Church

Lord Jesus, I repent of my sin, and I receive the Gospel. I believe that You died on the cross for my sins and that You rose from the dead. I receive You, Jesus, into my life and choose to follow You.

- ☐ Take inventory of where I might be allowing secondary issues to create division. Repent if necessary and submit those to God

2. We are called to **ONE SPIRIT**.

- **Philippians 1:27** Only conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or remain absent, I will hear of you that you are standing firm in **one spirit**, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel.
- **John 17:20-23**

Application #2:

- ☐ Be mindful of the Holy Spirit within me, and how He is the common thread between myself and other believers
- ☐ Ask the Holy Spirit to help in cultivating my relationships

3. We are called to **ONE BODY**.

- **Romans 12:4** For just as we have many members in **one body** and all the members do not have the same function
- **1 Corinthians 12:13** For by one Spirit we were all baptized into **one body**, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.
- **1 Corinthians 12:20, Ephesians 2:16, Ephesians 4:4, Colossians 3:15**

Application #3:

- ☐ Discover my spiritual gifts (giftstest.com) and then pursue a way to use my gift(s) within the Church.
- ☐ Serve where there is a need (children!)

4. We are called to **ONE LOVE**.

- **John 13:35** By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have **love** for one another.
- **Ephesians 4:2, Philippians 2:3, 1 John 4:7-12**

Application #4:

- ☐ Create margin in my schedule for people
- ☐ Choose to respond in love
- ☐ Commit to not talk negatively about another believer (if there's division, pursue biblical reconciliation *Matthew 18:15-17*)

5. Our Fellowship has **PURPOSE**.

- **1 Corinthians 11:24-25**
- **Romans 12:12, Colossians 4:2, 1 Thessalonians 5:17**

Application #5:

- ☐ Create a rhythm of prayer in my life
- ☐ Visit the Community Prayer Center (communityprayercenter.com)
- ☐ Consider the people around me – who might need to meet for coffee? A meal? Who might be going through something and need my support? Who can I pray for and who can I pray with?

Acts 2:43 Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe...

Application #6:

- ☐ Find my small group at WhatIsGrace.org/SpiritualFormation
- ☐ Pray and ask God if He is calling me to lead a small group. Scan the code for more information.

