



HomeGroup Study Questions Week 1

Note: This week's guide is somewhat generic, but we'll shift to a more focused set of questions next week as we enter into our season of HomeGroups.

MAIN TEXT: Acts 2:42-47

CONNECT & OBSERVE

1. How has this past week gone for you? Are there any new joys, struggles or needs that you're experiencing?
2. What did you take away from last Sunday's sermon? Was something especially significant, inspiring, helpful, or confusing?

LEARN

3. In a sentence or two, how would you summarize the main point of the sermon?
4. The word translated as *devoted* in verse 42 means "hold fast to, continue in, persevere in."¹ How did devotion to certain practices or values help instill a sense of unity among the early followers of Jesus?
5. Think about the four practices Luke includes. Why do you think these were so important for the early church?

APPLY

6. Think about the four practices of the apostles' teaching (preserved for us in the New Testament), fellowship, breaking of bread, and prayer. Which of these do you think we do well in our community? Which need more attention?
7. Given the emphasis of this week's sermon, what do you find most challenging for your own life? What do you find most encouraging?

¹ According to *A Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament and other Early Christian Literature*, Third Edition.

8. What can we do as a community of believers to help each other grow in our devotion to these same practices of the early church? Take time to pray together, asking the Holy Spirit to empower us to live this out in His strength.