

June 12, 2022

Connect Sunday

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Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer." ~ Acts 2:42

Devoted: steadfast; single-minded faithfulness

4 Foundations of the Early Church

1. _____ of the Word of God
2. _____: Connecting with one another

4 essential relationships for a Christian

- _____
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3. _____
 4. _____

Adoration: acknowledging the greatness of God and our need for Him

Confession: acknowledge and repent from our sins

Thanksgiving: giving thanks to God for what we are grateful for

Supplication: with reverence, devotion, & humility, cry out to God for help

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1. What caught your attention in this week's sermon? Was there something you had never heard before or something you had a question about?
2. What is something (past or present) that you completely devoted yourself to?
 - Was it good or bad?
 - How much time did you spend?
 - What was the outcome (or desired outcome if in the present)?
3. Read the following passages: John 13:35, Ephesians 4:16, Philippians 4:2, Galatians 6:10.
 - As you think of your devotion to the church now, do you experience the unity described in these passages. Why or why not?
 - What is missing from you or from the church?
4. The Greek word "koinonia" (κοινωνία) means "The act of sharing in the activities or privileges of an intimate association or group; especially used of marriage and churches." (logos.com)
 - How did the early church gather? What was their mindset?
 - What did they do when they were together?
 - Where did they gather? Why does it matter?
5. What are some of the upsides of having community? What are some risks?
6. What risk does our church face if any one of the four areas in verse 42 are neglected? How do you feel Washington Alliance is doing in those areas?

Pray about it: Meditate on God's Word (Acts 2:42-47) and this week's message

Adoration: What can I praise God for in light of what this teaches me?

Confession: What sin can I confess because of what this teaches me?

Thanksgiving: What can I thank God for in light of what He has done?

Supplication: What do I need to ask God in order to grow in light of this?