

**“1st Century Fellowship of Believers”**  
**Acts 2:42-47**

*“And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles. And all that believed were together, and had all things common; And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need. And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart, Praising God, and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved.” Acts 2:42-47*

As Christians (those added to the church by God) we try to follow the examples of the early church in how we approach our relationship with God, Jesus, each other, as well as those in our communities. The scriptures above give us the model for how we should be “fellowshipping” each other. The 1<sup>st</sup> century church didn't meet together out of obligation but rather out of a genuine desire to be together and worship God. This fellowship was essential not only to their worship on the first day of the week, but in their lives as they met together, often daily. Sometimes we “compartmentalize” our fellowship and limit it to scheduled meeting times, but that's not the example we're given by the early church. Their love for each other was evident to “all the people” which was an important part of their daily ministry as it should be in ours.

Join us as we will explore the book of Acts further and as we look at how we can better follow the example given to us by those early Christians.

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