


FOR JUST AS THE BODY IS ONE AND HAS MANY MEMBERS,
AND ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE BODY, THOUGH MANY,
ARE ONE BODY, SO IT IS WITH CHRIST. FOR IN ONE SPIRIT WE
WERE ALL BAPTIZED INTO ONE BODY—JEWS OR GREEKS,
SLAVES OR FREE—AND ALL WERE MADE TO DRINK OF ONE
SPIRIT. — 1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-13



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Week 3

Day 1: Devoted to What Matters

Reading: Acts 2:42-47

The early believers didn't just attend church—they devoted themselves to it. Devotion isn't passive; it's an active, daily choice to prioritize God's presence and His people. Notice they didn't wait for perfect conditions or convenient timing. They restructured their entire lives around what mattered most: learning about God, connecting with others, sharing meals, and praying together. This week, ask yourself: What does my calendar reveal about my devotion? Are you fitting God into your existing schedule, or building your life around Him? True transformation doesn't happen when church is an add-on; it happens when God's community becomes central. Choose devotion today, even when it's inconvenient.

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Day 2: The Power of Being Present

Reading: Hebrews 10:23-25

Over 500 people witnessed Jesus after His resurrection, yet only 120 were in the room on Pentecost when the Spirit came. The others missed one of history's most significant moments—not because they didn't know, but because they weren't present. We can be well-informed about God's promises and still miss what He wants to do if we're not intentionally showing up. The writer of Hebrews warns against giving up meeting together because there's power in gathering. You can't experience revival if you're not consistently in the room where God works. Don't let busyness, distractions, or past hurts keep you from being present. The most significant things God wants to do require your participation.

Day 3: Intertwined Roots

Reading: Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Redwood trees grow over 350 feet tall, yet their roots only go down 5-6 feet. Their secret? Roots that extend over 100 feet outward, intertwining with other trees. Alone, they'd topple. Together, they become giants. Solomon understood this principle: "Two are better than one." You weren't designed to stand alone in your faith journey. Your strength comes from being connected to others—praying together, serving together, carrying each other's burdens. When life's storms come, isolated Christians fall. But those rooted in genuine community remain standing. Who are you intertwined with? Whose burdens are you helping carry? Don't settle for shallow connections. Go deep with a few people who will hold you up.

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Day 4: Community Over Convenience

Reading: Romans 12:9-13

Real community costs something. It means showing up when someone's hurting, even when you're tired. It means inviting people into your mess, even when it's uncomfortable. It means loving people who aren't perfect—because you aren't either. Paul's vision of community in Romans 12 is radically inconvenient: "Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep." That requires being present, being aware, being available. The early church didn't just meet on Sundays; they did life together daily. They noticed needs and met them sacrificially. Ask God to show you one person this week who needs you to choose community over convenience. Maybe it's a phone call, a meal delivered, or simply listening without distraction. Inconvenient love changes lives.

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Day 5: Devoted to Prayer

Reading: Acts 4:23-31

When the early church faced opposition, they didn't strategize—they prayed. When they needed direction, they prayed. When they witnessed miracles, they prayed in gratitude. Prayer wasn't their last resort; it was their first response. They recognized their complete dependence on God's power, not their own abilities. Notice what happened when they prayed in Acts 4: the place shook, they were filled with the Spirit, and they spoke boldly. Prayer invites God's power into your situation. It transforms ordinary gatherings into sacred moments. It turns weakness into strength. How consistent is your prayer life? The early believers made it a daily rhythm. Start today: pray before making decisions, pray with others regularly, and watch how God moves when His people seek Him together.