

Jesus Builds A New Community

Acts 2:22-47 | Apr 12, 2026

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

[Online Bulletin](#)

1. Homeschool Group; April 17
2. Women's Retreat; April 17-19
3. Wild Game Feast; April 24
4. How to Speak to your Relatives; April 26
5. Stanton Healthcare Bottle Drive; Starts April 26
6. Senior Saints Potluck; May 3
7. Class: The Art of Marriage; May 9

INTRODUCTION:

Read our passage.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:

1. **The Four Pillars:** In verse 42, the believers devoted themselves to four specific things: the apostles' teaching, fellowship, the breaking of bread, and prayer. Which of these four do you feel our current small group (or church) excels at, and which one might we be neglecting?
2. **Radical Generosity:** The text mentions that they "had all things in common" and sold property to give to anyone in need (vv. 44-45). In a modern culture that prizes individual financial security, what makes this level of sacrifice so challenging? What would a

"modern version" of this look like in our community? What could possibly motivate someone to divest themselves to invest in others?

3. **The Power of "Together:"** The phrase "every day" or "day by day" appears twice in this passage. The early church didn't just meet once a week; their faith was integrated into their daily social lives. How can we shift our mindset from seeing church as a "scheduled event" to seeing it as a "shared life"?
4. **Awe and Wonders:** Verse 43 notes that "awe came upon every soul" because of the signs and wonders being done. When was the last time you felt a genuine sense of awe or "holy fear" regarding what God is doing in your life or the lives of those around you?
5. **The Natural Result:** The passage concludes by saying they had "favor with all the people" and that the Lord added to their number daily (v. 47). Do you think the church's growth was a result of their specific outreach programs, or was it a natural byproduct of the way they loved one another? How does our internal community life affect our external witness?

BREAKOUT SESSIONS:

Prayer Focus: Pray for ongoing outreach and missions, people in our body, and for our leaders.

Personal Practical Application: What was the most significant truth God showed you this week? How can you apply that to your life today?