

Four Remarkable Traits of the Newborn Church

Acts 2:42 (part 3)

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REVIEW:

Acts 2:42-47 reveals four remarkable traits of the newborn church. In Acts 2, the church was born:

- I. With unwavering devotion, 2:42.**
- II. With God's undeniable presence, 2:43.**
- III. With unrestricted unity, 2:44-47a.**
- IV. For uncommon growth, 2:47b.**

Within 2:42, the church was born with unwavering devotion to:

- 1. The teaching of the apostles.**
- 2. The fellowship.**
- 3. The breaking of bread.**

I. The centrality of "breaking bread" for Israel.

II. The superiority of "breaking bread" in Jesus Christ.

III. The centrality of "breaking bread" for the church.

1. Gospel purity at the Lord's Table.

2. Gospel equality at the Lord's Table.

3. Gospel unity at the Lord's Table.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

Is the Lord's Table a table fellowship and breaking of bread for you?

Are you examining yourself well by the gospel so as to be pure for this meal?

Will you rethink the place that a meal might have in your part in this body with others?