

Life Group Notes: "Reaching the crowds and building communities" (Vision Sunday - 28/02/21)

Tuesday 2nd March 2021

READ THESE VERSES TOGETHER

Acts 2:42-47

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favour of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

DISCUSSION POINTS

1) The Acts 2 Church Model:

- In reading the above passage, can you highlight some specific information on the church in the Book of Acts to describe how believers were operating and embracing the move of God.
- What can you say about the people's engagement with their leaders and interaction with each other?
- 2) A matter of devotion: Verse 42 states that the people "devoted themselves..."
 - Can you explain why the devotion of the people was important to the Church in the Book of Acts? Do you feel this is still required in the Church of the 21st century and why?
- **3)** From building crowds to building communities. In the Vision Sunday, Pastor Phil articulated the desire for the church to reach out to the crowd and to build a strong community. However, he stated that the foundation will always need to be built on the Holy Spirit a term he called "biblical framework".
 - Please, can you explain how central the Holy Spirit was to the Church in Acts and why this church model is important to be a church today (please, refer to the scripture above from Acts 2).

PRAYER SUGGESTIONS:

- 1) Please, pray for the vision and for the leaders to be able to enact the vision.
- 2) Pray for the church members to support the vision and to develop a deeper devotion to God this year.
- 3) Pray for the communities that are being built in the church and for the people that God intends to reach through King's Church and the local church in the UK and the world.