

**GRACE
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CHURCH**

— *Lorton* —

Acts 2:41-42 So those who accepted his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand people were added to them. ⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread, and to prayer.

Devoted – Greek word *proskartero*

Pros – toward or in the direction of.

Kartero – enduring, holding to, or being steadfast.

They were strongly moving toward and holding onto these things (teaching, fellowship, etc.) in an ongoing way.

Devoted to Corporate Teaching

Acts 2:43 Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and signs were being performed through the apostles.

Titus 1:9 holding to the faithful message as taught, so that he will be able both to encourage with sound teaching and to refute those who contradict it.

Devoted to Corporate Care (fellowship)

1 John 1:3 what we have seen and heard we also declare to you, so that you may also have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ.

John 13:34-35 “I give you a new command: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”

Devoted to Corporate Worship (breaking of bread and prayer)

**Psalm 95:1-7 Come, let's shout joyfully to the LORD,
shout triumphantly to the rock of our salvation!
2 Let's enter his presence with thanksgiving;
let's shout triumphantly to him in song.
3 For the LORD is a great God,
a great King above all gods.
4 The depths of the earth are in his hand,
and the mountain peaks are his...**

**⁵ The sea is his; he made it.
His hands formed the dry land.
⁶ Come, let's worship and bow down;
let's kneel before the LORD our Maker.
⁷ For he is our God, and we are the people of his
pasture, the sheep under his care.**

Devoted to Corporate Disciple-Making

Acts 2:47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. Every day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

2 Corinthians 5:11 since we know the fear of the Lord, we try to persuade people.

1 Peter 2:9 You are a chosen race," a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his possession, so that you may proclaim the praises" of the one who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.