

Redefining Community

Preparing Our Hearts

⇒ What Are You _____ To _____?

message notes

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Acts 2:42-47

A Radical Transformation

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. . . . All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. . . . Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" . . .

Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah. . . . Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. . . . Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

(Acts 2:1, 4, 12, 36, 38, 41)

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A Deeper Vision

⇒ _____ Is A _____ Of _____
_____.

They don't come together as a response to a command, they don't come together as a response to duty . . . They come together as a response to the [New] Life . . . That's radical. That's new. It's a sign of life. (Timothy Keller, *A New Community*)

⇒ _____ Is The _____
Of _____.

See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!
(1 John 3:1)

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Three Essential Commitments

1) _____

2) _____

Like most families, we didn't all agree on everything. We hurt each other's feelings sometimes. We grew closer in some seasons, and apart in others. Yet we had chosen to be in community, and the experience of choosing again and again over the years, especially through suffering, created a bond that none of us had ever known before.
(Katherine Wolf, *Suffer Strong*)

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