

“The Local Church is the Hope of the World”

Scripture: Acts 2:41-47

Look at the authentic growth of the Acts 2 Church

Those who accepted the message and were baptized numbered about _____.
(2:41)

The believers grew to _____ men without counting women and children. (4:4)

In those days the number of disciples was increasing. (6:1)

The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly; a large number of _____
came obedient to the faith. (6:7)

What is unique about this local church?

Five reasons that make the local Church the hope of the world.

1. They devoted themselves to the _____ (V. 42)

The word of God trumps everything in this media saturated world heralding the absolute TRUTH, the gospel sets us free.

2. They devoted themselves to _____

Connecting with other Christ followers in spiritual fellowship is to experience the greatest family here on earth. (Vs. 42)

3. They devoted themselves to _____ and _____

Learning to commune and pray enabled ordinary people to see the unordinary happen (Vs. 42)

4. They devoted themselves to be a _____ community

Worshipping God and enjoying Him in the midst of all other enticing distractions is the ultimate fulfillment in life. (Vs. 47)

5. People were becoming _____ followers every day (V. 47)

Taking the initiative to engage someone in a meaningful conversation could change that person's life for eternity.