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BUILD KINGDOM FAMILY

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Community Bible Church Sermon Discussion Questions: Apr 21, 2024 Pastor Hutch Kufahl

TITLE: Build Kingdom Family

TEXT: Acts 2:42-47

TARGET: God, who exists in perfect community within the trinity, has wired us to thrive inside spiritual family.

Question #1: *In what ways do we see God's goodness expressed in His desire for us to thrive in spiritual family? What differences have you experienced since stepping into community compared to seasons of isolation in your life?*

History of Biblical Community

- The Garden of Eden: *"Let us make man in our image, after our likeness."* Gen. 1:26
- The Jewish Nation: *"Out of all the nations, you will be my treasured possession...a kingdom of priests...a holy nation."* Exodus 19:5-6
- The Jewish Church - Acts 2
- The New Testament Church - *"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation...first to the jew, then to the Gentile."* Rom. 1:16

Question #2: *Reflecting on the history of biblical community outlined above, what similarities and differences do you notice between the early church in Acts 2 and other instances of biblical community?*

1. **Devoted to the Father:** *"And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread the the prayers."* (Acts 2:42)

Question #3: *Are the same practices of the early church practical or realistic in a modern context? Explain your reasoning and include what you believe enables or prevents these practices today.*

2. **Devoted to spiritual Family:** *“And day by day, attending the temple together, breaking bread in their homes...”* (Acts 2:46)

3. **Devoted to those Far from God:** *“praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.”* (Acts 2:47)

Question #4: Consider the phrase "the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved" (Acts 2:47). *What role do you think authentic community plays in drawing people to faith in Christ? What steps can we take to grow in this role together in the future?*

Take Away: We are never more like Christ than when we are walking in right relationship with Him and right relationship with others.

Question #5: Reflect on the takeaway that we are most like Christ when we are in right relationship with Him and others. *What are some ways we can strengthen our relationship with God and spiritual family? How can our group actively cultivate authentic accountability and collectively pursue spiritual growth?*