

SERMON SERIES: **HOME IMPROVEMENT**

TODAY'S MESSAGE: **Better Fellowship 2**

TEXT: **Acts 2:41-47**

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**MESSAGE INTRO:** *The truth about fellowship*

1) *Sin is the big DIS-CONNECT!*

↕ *Between PEOPLE and God (Isa 59:1-2)*

↔ *Between PEOPLE and people (Mat 24:12)*

2) *Christ is the great and only RE-CONNECT! (1 Cor 1:9; Col 1:19-22; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Jn 10:16; 14:6; 17:20-23)*

[NOTE: He reconciles the alienated to God, but fellowship is not \_\_\_\_\_. We must \_\_\_\_\_ it, both vertically and horizontally (James 4:7-8; Heb 10:22-25; Acts 2:44,46)!]

3) *Fellowship is not just something "we" (the CHURCH) need to work on, but something "they" (the WORLD) desperately need!*

### 1. The FOUNDATION of Christian fellowship:

☪ *Fellowship begins with FAITH in Christ. (Ac 2:36-41,44; 1 John 1:3-4)*

☪ *Fellowship is built on shared (common) BELIEFS. (Eph 4:4-6) \_\_\_\_\_ BODY, \_\_\_\_\_ SPIRIT, \_\_\_\_\_ HOPE, \_\_\_\_\_ LORD, \_\_\_\_\_ FAITH, \_\_\_\_\_ BAPTISM, \_\_\_\_\_ GOD & FATHER*

### 2. The F \_\_\_\_\_ of Christian fellowship:

☪ *Devotion to the \_\_\_\_\_. (Ac 2:42)*  
**THE TEACHING, FELLOWSHIP, THE TABLE & PRAYER.**

☪ \_\_\_\_\_ — *assembly, hospitality, visitation. (Ac 2:44,46; Heb 10:24-25)*

☪ \_\_\_\_\_ of heart and mind. (Ac 4:32; Eph 4:1-3)  
*Not all \_\_\_\_\_ is unity!*

☪ \_\_\_\_\_ — *sharing of resources. (Acts 2:44-45; 4:32-35)*

### 3. The F \_\_\_\_\_ of Christian fellowship:

☪ *Needs are \_\_\_\_\_! (Ac 2:45; 4:34)*

☪ \_\_\_\_\_! (Ac 2:46)

☪ \_\_\_\_\_ and thanksgiving! (Ac 2:47)

☪ \_\_\_\_\_ from onlookers! (Ac 2:47; Jn 13:35; 17:20-23)

[The \_\_\_\_\_ we get, the \_\_\_\_\_ we look!]

☪ \_\_\_\_\_ souls saved! (Ac 2:47)

### MESSAGE WRAP-UP: 1 Peter 1:22-23; 1 John 1:7

1) *Fellowship is not an \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ to salvation, but the very \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation! And without both kinds of fellowship (vertical & horizontal), \_\_\_\_\_ can be saved!*

2) *Are you \_\_\_\_\_ from God or \_\_\_\_\_ to God? (1 Pet 3:18; 2 Cor 5:18-20; Col 1:20-23)*

3) *Are you IN FELLOWSHIP with \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
Are you IN FELLOWSHIP with \_\_\_\_\_ ?*