



89. *Devoted to What?*

Luke wrote, *“They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer,”* Acts 2:42.

The Believers in the First Century Church were committed to being taught, to fellowship, to celebrating the Lord's supper, and to prayer. And remember that 3000 had just come to Jesus in one day, Acts 2:41.

God's house is built of people [living stones],

1 Peter 2:5. His house is not built with bricks and sticks, rocks and rafters, and pews and pulpits.

We are His house, Hebrews 3:6. So when you read Acts 2:42, don't think about your local church building. Think about yourself and your brothers and

sisters in Christ. Do you want to be like the Believers in the First Century Church? Then be devoted to learning the Word. Be taught, be learning, the Bible. And be devoted to fellowship. Biblical fellowship [koinonia in Greek] is an unlimited co-liability relationship with other Believers. And celebrate the Lord's supper frequently. A short, once-per-month add-on to a Sunday service may not be enough. And be devoted to prayer. Pray alone and pray with others. Pray. Pray again. Then pray some more. Have a continuing conversation with God. And Jesus said, *"Follow Me, and I will make you become fishers of men,"* Mark 1:17. The more time you spend following the Great Fisherman, the more you will go fishing. Are you really following if you are not fishing? Be like those first Century believers. Be continually devoted to all these things ... to teaching ... to fellowship ... to the Lord's supper ... to prayer ... and to fishing for men.