

WORDS
OF
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**Signs of a Revived Church!
Acts 2:41-47**

1) For almost six months we have been praying this prayer: Father, pour out your Spirit on us and move us forward together.

Where do you see God moving and answering this prayer?

Where do you want Him to move in your own life and in our church family?

2) Acts 2:41-47 describes the Holy Spirit released on the first church. There are five main ways the Holy Spirit manifests:

- a) Commitment to teaching. As the Father pours out the Holy Spirit on us, why is it vital for us to maintain our commitment to the teaching of the apostles?
- b) Anointed worship. How can we as a church move from viewing worship as our personal likes/dislikes to Christ and others centered worship?
- c) Intimate fellowship. Acts 2 describes a community very committed to personal relationships and care for one another. How does that come about?
- d) Passion for the lost. The disciples were bold in their willingness to share Christ with others. What made them bold?

Peter preached a powerful sermon on the Day of Pentecost, but I think what drew so many to that early church is what Luke says in Acts 4:13. People saw the boldness and realized these weren't educated and trained men and they marveled. What did they realize? What does Luke say? They realized that these men had been with Jesus.

- e) Compassionate social concern. The early church demonstrated compassionate social concern for others. What are some ways that we as a family can fight for the justice and righteousness of Christ here on earth?

3) Pray for our church and family. Father, pour out your Spirit on us and move us forward together!

2020 BREAKTHROUGH PRAYER REQUESTS:

Father, pour out your Spirit on us and move us forward together.

Father, please retire the Worship Center mortgage by 2025.

Father, please use us to build a reproducing church among an unreached people by 2030.

⁴¹Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them. ⁴²And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers. ⁴³Then fear came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were done through the apostles. ⁴⁴Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, ⁴⁵and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.

⁴⁶So continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart, ⁴⁷praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.

(Acts 2:41-47 NKJV)