



Small Group Discipleship Guide

August 16: Acts 2:42-47 --- Grow in Community

CONNECT

A few minutes of care, celebration, and prayer.

1. How have you seen God at work this week?
 2. What is one celebration and one challenge that we can pray about today? (*pray now*)
-

REFLECT

Look back on how God worked through last week's commitments.

3. Last week, each of us committed to take one step of obedience. How did it go?
 4. Who were you able to encourage, serve, invite, or share with?
-

DISCUSS

Read the primary Scriptures together: Matthew 16:18; Matthew 18:17; Acts 2:42-47; Romans 12:3-5.

5. How does defining "church" as "a people you belong to" alter how you think about "church?"
 6. Describe / discuss experiences where you have felt like you *really* belonged (doesn't have to be church) and be sure to identify some things that made you feel like you belonged.
 7. What do you think are obstacles in American culture to being "relationally rich?"
 8. When you have loved others selflessly, describe what motivated you.
 9. What is one area of your life where this sermon or passage calls you to greater obedience?
-

RESPOND

Write these commitments down.

10. **Follow Jesus:** What is one step of obedience God is asking you to take this week?
 11. **Grow in Community:** How can this group pray for you, encourage you, or hold you accountable as you take that step.
 12. **Go on Mission:** Who is one person God is placing on your heart to encourage, serve, invite, or share Jesus with this week?
-