## PENTECOST: CHAPTER 2

Acts 2:42-47 (p. 1694)

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# And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:47

#### Four missional markers

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Acts 2:42

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#### The "together" miracle (or, What "filled with the Spirit" looks like)

All the believers were together and had everything in common. Acts 2:44

How can	I practice the	"together"	disciplines?	

#### The difference "same passioned" makes

Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. Acts 2:46 (but check Doug's translation for homothumadon)

- 1) Sanctifies TEMPLE COURTS and HOME → need BOTH for maturity and a place to "add"
- 2) CHAPTER 3 is coming  $\rightarrow$  only a "single purpose" church could survive Acts 3-8 (then the Judaizers!)
- 3) THE WORLD longs for this kind of community

#### **Further study of Acts 2**

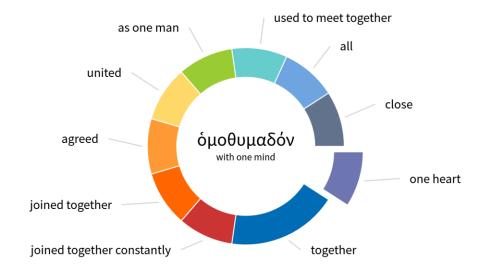
Bob Deffinbaugh on Acts 2 at https://bible.org/seriespage/5-putting-pentecost-perspective-part-4-firstfruits-pentecost-acts-241-47

Spurgeon's "Pricked in Their Hearts" at http://www.biblebb.com/files/spurgeon/2102.htm

John Piper's "How to Receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit" at https://www.desiringgod.org/scripture/acts/2/messages

S. Lewis Johnson's semons at http://sljinstitute.net/acts

Alexander Maclaren's "A Pure Church is an Increasing Church" at http://biblehub.com/library/maclaren /expositions\_of\_holy\_scripture\_the\_acts/a\_pure\_church\_an\_increasing.htm



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Ro 15:6 so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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θυμος	thymos	anger; wrath; indignation	60
θυμός	thymos	anger; wrath; indignation	18
ὁμοθυμαδόν	homothymadon	with one mind	11
θυμίαμα	thymiama	incense; incense offering	6
προθυμία	prothymia	readiness; willingness	5
ἐνθύμησις	enthymēsis	thought; reflection; idea	4
εὐθυμέω	euthymeō	be cheerful	3
πρόθυμος	prothymos	ready; willing; eagerness	3
ένθυμέομαι	enthymeomai	think; consider	2
ἀθυμέω	athymeō	be discouraged; lose heart	1
διενθυμέομαι	dienthymeomai	consider; reflect	1

### **Preparing to listen to Peter**

For you have been born again . . . through the living and enduring word of God.

1 Peter 1:23

Monday: Matthew 4:12-20, Peter follows Jesus

How does Peter's call reflect your own call to follow Jesus?

Tuesday: Matthew 16:13-28, Confession and Rebuke

Peter at his best still does not fully understand the mission of Messiah. When did you really understand the cross of Christ?

Wednesday: Matthew 26:69-75, Peter's denial of Christ

This is the low point of Peter's relationship with Jesus. What is the evidence of God's provision for us even in difficult times?

Thursday: John 21:1-19, Peter's restoration

Peter begins his first epistle by reminding us that we are chosen for obedience to Jesus Christ. How does Peter's restoration encourage you in your obedience to Jesus?

Friday: Acts 10, Peter's Gentile moment

Why do you think it took this experience for Peter to turn to the Gentiles? What was your Gentile moment?

Saturday: 1 Peter 1:1-12, Peter the apostle to the elect strangers

How is God preparing you to listen to Peter? What are you most anxious to hear from our study of 1 Peter?