



MAKING CONNECTIONS ACTS 2:41-47

CONNECT WITH JESUS WHILE ENGAGING HIS MISSION

**WHERE DID YOU FIRST MEET JESUS?
WHERE DO YOU MEET JESUS?**

CONNECT TO JESUS IN HIS LOVING COMMUNITY

“They devoted themselves... to the fellowship (*koinonia*)... they held all things in common (*koinos*)... they were selling... and distributing...”

“No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father’s side, he has made him known.” (John 1:18)

“No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.” (1 John 4:12)

“They walk by us in the hundreds or thousands every day. They would be the last to say they have any claim whatsoever on God. The pages of the Gospels are cluttered with such people. And yet: ‘He touched me.’ The rule of the heavens comes down upon their lives through their contact with Jesus. And then they too are blessed – healed of body, mind, and spirit – in the hand of God.”

~ Dallas Willard

Going Deeper

(For individual or small groups to go deeper with the passage)

- Read Acts 2:41-47 three or four times.
- In Acts 2:42, what were the Christians continually working at in their lives? Is there one of these areas you need to recommit to consistently practicing?
- What do you think about this principle: Sometimes you have to open up eyes to help people hear the gospel?
- What is one action you can take this week to become more involved in reaching those who do not know Jesus?
- Jesus’ ministry included word and deed, proclamation and demonstration, as the means of bringing people to a new relationship with God. The church is now the Body of Christ, so how should our mission be shaped by “word” and “deed”? How do we help people be saved and see God (c.f. Acts 16; 1 John 4:12)?
- Spiritual Exercise: In prayer, ask the Holy Spirit to guide you toward either a place to serve those outside the church, or to specific people in your life who do not yet trust Jesus as their Savior. Respond in obedient faith and pray that God would give you open doors to talk about Jesus and opportunities to show God’s love.