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Why You Need The Church

Part 4 of 4 from the series
“Center: Center Your Life Around
Christ and The Church”

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Acts 2:42-47 New International Version (NIV)

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ 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, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

1 Peter 1:3 The Living Bible (TLB)

³ All honor to God, the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ; for it is his boundless mercy that has given us the privilege of being born again so that we are now members of God’s own family. Now we live in the hope of eternal life because Christ rose again from the dead.

**The Bible says that the family of
God is called the _____.**

1 Timothy 3:15 New Century Version (NCV)

¹⁵ Then, even if I am delayed, you will know how to live in the family of God. That family is the church of the living God, the support and foundation of the truth.

Acts 2 UNDERSTOOD THE NEED FOR THE CHURCH

1. The Church Helps Me To _____.

Acts 2:42 (NIV)

⁴² They devoted [continued to] themselves to the apostles’ teaching.
- Vs 42 says “They”

2. The Church Helps Me To _____.

Acts 2:42 New King James Version (NKJV)

⁴² And they continued steadfastly in the apostles’ doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

Hebrews 10:25 (NCV)

²⁵ You should not stay away from the church meetings, as some are doing, but you should meet together and encourage each other. Do this even more as you see the day coming.

Acts 2:42 (NIV)

⁴² They devoted themselves ...to the breaking of bread...

1 John 1:7 (NKJV)

⁷ But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

3. The Church Helps Me To Experience God’s _____.

Acts 2:42-43 (NIV)

⁴² They devoted themselves ... to prayer.
⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.