

WE ARE MEMBERS OF GOD'S FAMILY

What It Means To Follow Jesus

Part 3

“In Christ, we who are many form one Body, and each member belongs to all the others.” Romans 12:5

“...let us do good to all people, especially those who belong to the family of believers.” Galatians 6:10

I. THE GROWTH OF THE 1ST CHURCH (JERUSALEM)

- Acts 1:15 “120 believers”
- Acts 2:41 “3000 were added to the church that day”
- Acts 2:47 “the Lord added daily those being saved”
- Acts 4:4 “the number of men grew to 5,000”
- Acts 5:14 “more & more believed & a multitude was added”
- Acts 5:28 “you’ve filled Jerusalem with your teachings”
- Acts 6:1 “the number of disciples rapidly multiplied”
- Acts 6:7 “the number of believers increased rapidly”
- Acts 21:20 “tens of thousands have become believers”

II. WHERE DID THEY MEET?

“(They met) day after day, in the TEMPLE COURTS AND from HOUSE TO HOUSE...” Acts 5:42

- LARGE GROUP _____

“They met together at the Temple Courts...” Acts 2:46

- SMALL GROUP _____

“Greet the church that meets in their home.” Romans 16:5

ADVANTAGES: Homes are...

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7 MARKS OF A HEALTHY GROUP: ACTS 2:42-47

1. _____

“They devoted themselves to the apostles teaching...”

2. _____

“They devoted themselves... to the fellowship”

They ate together with glad and sincere hearts”

3. _____

“They devoted themselves... to the breaking of bread”

4. _____

“They devoted themselves... to prayer”

5. _____

“They gave to anyone as he had a need...”

6. _____

“They praised God and enjoyed the favor of all the people”

7. _____

“Everyday, the number in their group continued to grow as the Lord added those who were being saved”