# I Love Series: I Love People

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# Matthew 23:37

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing.

Two things brought our Savior to tears...

# 1. LOST PEOPLE

Matthew 23:37

"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem ... how often I have longed to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings...

<u>Luke 19:41</u> (Grieves the "lostness" of His people) As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, <u>he wept over it</u>.

# 2. HURTING PEOPLE

John II:35 (Over Mary & Martha's grief)
Jesus wept.

<u>Luke 4:18</u> (Jesus announcing His ministry)
"The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, ...
He has sent Me to <u>heal the brokenhearted</u>..."

# Acts 2:42-47 (Covenant of Believers in Christ)

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he 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.

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# PRAYERS

Acts 2:42

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#### PRESENCE

Acts 2:44 & 46

All the believers were together and had everything in common... Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts.

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# • GIFTS

Acts 2:45

Selling their possessions and goods, <u>they gave</u> to anyone as he had need.

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# SERVICE

Acts 2:43

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# WITNESS

Acts 2:47

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