Living in Covenant

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Acts 2:41-47

41 Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. 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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1. PRAYERS

Acts 2:42

42They devoted themselves ... to prayer.

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2. PRESENCE

Acts 2:42, 44 & 46

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3. GIFTS

Acts 2:45

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

Acts 4:32, 34-35

32 All the believers were <u>one in heart and mind</u>. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but <u>they shared</u> <u>everything they had</u>. 34 There were <u>no needy persons among them</u>. For from time to time those who owned lands or houses sold them, <u>brought the money from the sales 35 and put it at the apostles' feet</u>, and it was <u>distributed to anyone as he had need</u>.

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4. SERVICE

Acts 2:43

43 Everyone was filled with awe, and <u>many wonders and</u> <u>miraculous signs were done by the apostles.</u>

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5. WITNESS

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