

## ALL IN

### Acts 2:42-47

1. As we begin a new year, what are some of your hopes for 2020 [spiritual, relational, personal, family, career, other]?
2. Read Acts 2:42-47. What marked the early church and its life together? [Pay special attention to the rhythms of their life together and the things they committed to].
3. What differences (if any) do you see between the church in Acts 2:42-47 and the church today?
  - a. Why do you think there's a gap between how the first church lived together and how the church today lives together?
  - b. What things do you think get in the way of the modern church living like the early church in Acts?
4. Discuss the three questions below, focusing on how God might be speaking to you as individuals and as a group.
  - a. Am I willing to press into reality more than pursue escape?
  - b. Am I willing to sacrifice from something that won't contribute to my comfort or convenience?
  - c. Am I amazed enough by the actions of God to adjust my own?
5. How does God's prior activity in Jesus motivate the church to act in ways like we see in Acts 2:42-47? Consider Luke 24:44-49, Acts 1:3, Acts 2:32-33, Acts 2:38-41 as you discuss.
6. What is one step you could take in response to the above questions this week, to move closer to being all in with Jesus and His mission in and through the church?

## **Study Guide for Leaders**

*(some additional thoughts on the questions)*

### **1. DEVOTED**

- a. Steady persistence
- b. Continued faithfulness
- c. Everyone committed together

### **2. 3 KEY QUESTIONS**

- a. **AM I WILLING TO PRESS INTO REALITY MORE THAN PURSUE ESCAPE?**
  - a. All the markers in Acts 2:42-47 deal with real life
  - b. We spend a lot of time detaching ourselves from the real world [TV, Social Media, Movies, Books, Video Games, Drugs or Drinking, etc.]
- b. **AM I WILLING TO SACRIFICE SOMETHING THAT WON'T CONTRIBUTE TO MY COMFORT OR CONVENIENCE?**
  - a. There are consequences for being unwilling to give up something in order to be all in
  - b. Anonymous Christianity is a by-product of pursuing comfort and convenience over the way of Jesus
- c. **AM I AMAZED ENOUGH BY THE ACTIONS OF GOD TO ADJUST MY OWN?**
  - a. All the activity of the church in Acts is a response to the prior activity of God in Jesus
  - b. God's activity motivates the church to be motivated to act