

Study Questions – Jesse Wilson, January 12th, 2020

ALL IN: Finding the Frequency

Acts 2:42-47

- 1. What are some of the films, books, podcasts, people, or media [social media, other] that you enjoy the most? Tell the group why.
- 2. How might these sources be giving you a vision for life and how it's meant to be lived?
 - a. Is that vision different than the one God gives us in the Bible?
 - b. How is it different?
- 3. The early church committed themselves to the 'apostles' teaching.'
 - a. How would you define what the 'apostles' teaching' is? Use Acts 2:14-41, Acts 4:2-4, Acts 5:38-42, Acts 17:22-31, and 1 Corinthians 15:3-4 to guide your discussion.
 - b. Why should we devote ourselves to the apostles' teaching? Use Psalm 119:105, John 8:31, and John 6:66-68 to guide your discussion.
- 4. Of the four realizations below, which one challenged you the most? Share why.
 - a. Agreement is not application
 - b. Hard truth is still truth
 - c. God's purposes are more important than my priorities
 - d. It's worth it
- 5. Compare Matthew 28:18-20 with Psalm 1, Luke 11:27-28, and James 1:22-25 as you discuss the idea that the apostles' teaching apostles isn't only about 'listening' but also about 'acting' on what you hear.
- 6. Why is it sometimes hard to move from agreeing with something you are taught and acting on what you agree with?
- 7. What is one step you can take this week to 'listen' and 'act' on what God might be saying to you through His Word?

Study Guide for Leaders

(some additional thoughts on the questions)

a. **DEVOTED**

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

b. FOUR REALIZATIONS

- a. Agreement is not application
 - c. Agreeing with something is not the same as application
 - c. Agreement is meant to lead to action in God's Kingdom [see Matthew 7:24-25]

b. Hard truth is Still Truth

- c. Going all in on what God says and living that out might mean we do and say things that aren't popular or don't make sense to others
- c. When we follow God's Word, we will sometimes end up doing what is right instead of what is popular.
- c. God's purposes are more important than my priorities
 - c. Asking, 'what is true?' is a better question than asking, 'how did it make me feel?'
 - c. Seeing this helps us choose what God wants most over what we want in the moment
 - c. Sometimes we will have to set aside our priorities as we read the Bible so God can fulfill His purposes

d. It's worth it

c. Knowing that an all knowing, all loving, all powerful God has done everything to have a relationship with us, makes it all worth it