

Spirit Filled Rhythms: Devotion over Drift

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Acts 2:42-47

BIG IDEA:

True spiritual fruit isn't an accident; it's the result of a community intentionally devoting itself to the Word, fellowship, the Table, and prayer, allowing the Holy Spirit to form the church before He works through the church

KEY VERSE:

"42 And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers."

The FOUR Rhythms of a Spirit-Filled Church

Rhythm #1:

TEACHING - Truth _____ **Us**

"The Word doesn't just inform us; it FORMS us."

Question: What did devotion to the Word Look like for them?

Rhythm #2:

FELLOWSHIP - Love _____ **Us**

"Christianity is personal...but it was never meant to be private"

"...day by day..." (v.46)

Rhythm #3:

BREAKING BREAD - Worship _____ **Us**

A Spirit-filled church isn't centered on personality, or programs, or production... it's centered on Jesus

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Rhythm #4:

PRAYER - Dependence _____ Us

"We pray not to change the will of God, but to align our will to His." – Mother Teresa

'If God doesn't move — nothing moves.'

The Result: Fruit of a Devoted Church (vv. 43-47)

When we handle the devotion, God handles the growth.

- **Awe:** A deep awareness that God is in the room.
- **Generosity:** When the Gospel grips your heart, your grip on your "stuff" loosens.
- **Joy:** Glad hearts and gratitude make the Gospel believable to outsiders.
- **Growth:** The Lord added to their number day by day.

GOING DEEPER:

1. Which of the four rhythms (Word, Fellowship, Table, Prayer) do you find easiest to "devote" yourself to? Which is the most challenging?
2. Why is "isolation deadly" for a Christian? How have you seen community help you grow in ways you couldn't alone?
3. How does viewing Acts 2 as a "training montage" change how you view your everyday, ordinary routines of faith?

May we be a church that is shaped by the Holy Spirit, not one trying to force fruit, but focusing on being faithful!