

## PERSONAL REFLECTION GUIDE

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- What main point from the sermon stood out to you? What did the Holy Spirit convict you of or encourage you with?
- **Read Acts 2:42-47.** What key words or repeated ideas do you notice in this text?
- What activities did the new believers devote themselves to?
- Based on this passage, what happened in public, and what in homes?
- How does Luke (the author of Acts) describe the attitude of the community?
- What results do you see at the end of the passage? Who did the work?
- Why do you think devotion (v 42) comes before growth (v.47)?
- What do you think is meant by the "awe of the Lord" How is the unity and generosity
- What are the qualities of the "fellowship" described here?
- **Read Hebrews 10:23-25.** What similarities do you notice about the communities described here?
- What does the believers' generosity reveal about their view of possession? How does this generosity reveal the gospel of grace?
- Which practice in verse 42 do you personally need to grow right now?
- What keeps Christians today from living this openly and generously?
- How can your small group, family, or church better reflect this kind of community? How might living this way impact people who don't yet follow Jesus?
- What's one practical way you personally can contribute to this kind of community?
- What's one practical way you could help someone to follow Jesus this week?
- Based on this passage or the sermon, what is one step of obedience the Holy Spirit is leading you towards this week?

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Southland Church is committed to helping parents raise the next generation of disciples who KNOW Christ, LIVE like Him, and make Him KNOWN. This guide is meant to help you as a family, particularly those over 12 years old, to discuss the Sunday sermon. You can do this in an evening devotion or over lunch after service.

A few tips to get started: (1) Make this a phone-free conversation. You and your family put the phones away, except for the person who looks up the Scriptures. He/She would read the passage and then put his/her phone away. (2) Set the pace for how vulnerable to be. If you give a shallow answer, you are more likely to get a shallow answer from your kids. (3) Do not feel like you have to ask all of these questions. Just focus on having a good honest discussion.

Open with prayer, asking God to lead you to know more about Christ and live like Him.

- What stood out to you from the sermon this week as challenging or encouraging?
- What makes a family or group feel close and connected?
- **Read Acts 2:42-47.** What 4 things did the believers devote themselves to, in verse 42?
- Where did they spend time together, and how often?
- What words described how they felt?
- If you could summarize this passage in one sentence, what would it be? How would you describe this community?
- Why do you think God wants His people to grow together, not alone?
- Why do you think the believers were willing to share what they had?
- How does this passage help you understand what the church is supposed to be?
- Which of the 4 practices in verse 42 does our family do well? Which one(s) could we do better?
- Who is helping you to learn how to live this way? Who are you helping?
- How can our home become a place where people see God's love in action?
- How can you help our family grow closer to God and each other?
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