

May 7, 2017
“A Service The Church Will Never Forget”
(Acts 2:42-47)

Churches are _____ places.

In Acts 2:42-47, we have the true essence of the church - _____ we are and _____ we are about:

#1. – The church is a community gathered for _____ and for _____.

Henry Ward Beecher – *“The church is not a gallery for the exhibition of eminent Christians but a school for the education of imperfect ones.”*

Perhaps we don’t _____ as much from Christian disciples as we ought.

Sometimes the church is not the most _____ place to be, and sometimes church people are not all they ought to be. It is still the best thing _____!

#2. – They also had great _____.

Any church that’s doing what it ought to be doing is a _____ place to be.

Christian fellowship is one of the greatest _____ that we have to offer the world.

When we were baptized into the church, we did not become an _____ unto ourselves. We became part of a _____ - the body of Christ!

Our word “Fellowship” comes from an Anglo Saxon word for _____.

Neighbors would put their cows together, breaking down the _____ between them, to show _____ in one another.

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Church is a place where you can be _____.

The number of those being added to the early church was increasing _____.

If you keep fellowship to yourself, fellowship _____.

When you keep enlarging that circle of fellowship you have _____, hope, meaning, _____, and joy.

#3. – They spent much time in _____.

They recognized that theirs was not simply a _____ enterprise.

We need a source of _____ for our lives, and we need a source of power for our church that comes from beyond our own _____, desires and commitment!

Anyone who wants to be a witness for God is going to have to depend on _____!

This church is where we have found God and this is where we _____ Him together.

This is where we help _____ each other, carrying one another’s _____!

We care for each other in special ways, when we are gathered in _____ in one place, like we cannot do away from here.

Will you commit yourself to reaching out to people you know and invite them to this place so that we might add to the church everyone who needs Christ?