

To Seek & To Save With Persistence (Acts 2:42)

I. THEY PERSISTED IN THE APOSTLES' DOCTRINE

- A. DOCTRINE IS A SET OF BELIEFS
- B. DOCTRINE IS THE GLUE THAT HOLDS US TOGETHER
- C. DOCTRINE IS THE BIBLICAL DEFINITION OF OUR FAITH

I Timothy 4:6, "If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained."

Titus 1:9, "Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught, that he may be able by sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the gainsayers."

II. THEY PERSISTED IN FELLOWSHIP

- A. IT WAS CHRIST CENTERED (ACTS 4:18)
- B. IT WAS CHURCH CENTERED.

Hebrews 10:24-25, "24 And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: 25 Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching."

- C. IT WAS "OTHERS" ORIENTED. (II CORINTHIANS 8:4-5)

SERMON NOTES:

III. THEY PERSISTED IN BREAKING BREAD

- A. COMMUNION IS A PICTURE OF CHRIST (I CORINTHIANS 11:24-25)
- B. COMMUNION DEMANDS SEPERATION (I CORINTHIANS 10:16-22)

IV. THEY PERSISTED IN PRAYER. (HEBREWS 4:14-16)

- A. PRAY WITH A CONFESSED HEART.

Proverbs 28:13, "He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy."

- B. PRAY WITH FAITH BELIEVING.

Mark 9:23, "Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth."

- C. PRAY ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL.

I John 5:14, "And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:"

- D. PRAY FOR THE GLORY OF GOD.

John 14:13, "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son."

"The chief purpose of Prayer is that God would be glorified in the answer." – Paul Chappell

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