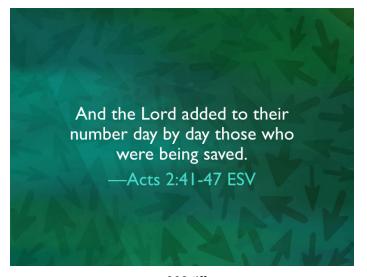
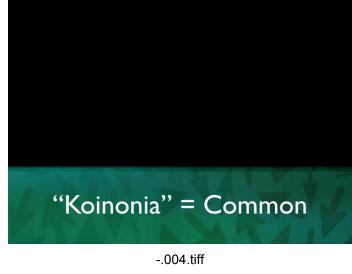
⁴¹So those who received his [Peter's] word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls. ⁴²And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles.

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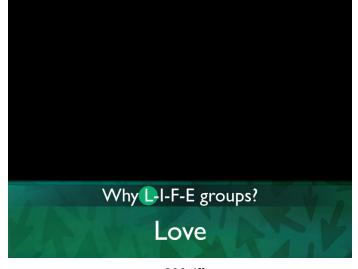
And all who believed were together and had all things in common. As And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, Apraising God and having favor with all the people.



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"Christianity is not a religion for solitude and solitary.
The Bible knows nothing of solitary religion."
—John Wesley



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And this is His commandment, that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as He has commanded us.

—I John 3:23 ESV

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⁷Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. ⁸Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. ⁹In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent His only Son into the world, so that we might live through Him. —I John 4:7-9 ESV

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34A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.

35By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.

—John 13:34-35 ESV

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¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age." —Matthew 28:18-20 ESV

of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴for "All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass.

The grass withers, and the flower falls, ²⁵but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

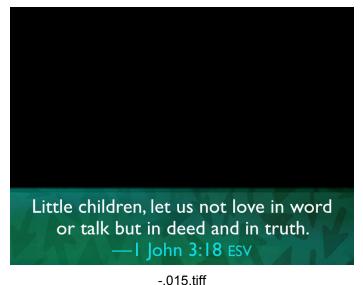
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ISO put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. ²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation—

3if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.—I Peter 1:23–2:3 ESV



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"Community is hard work.

As a result, many people love the idea of community more than the experience of community."

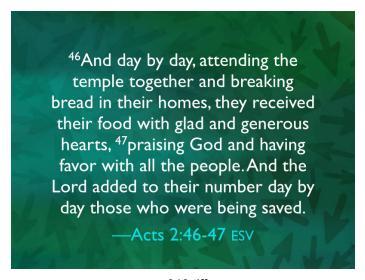
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"They lived ordinary lives with gospel intentionality."

Total Church, Tim Chester & Steve Timmis



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