

<sup>1</sup>I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace... <sup>15</sup>Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ.

—Ephesians 4:1-3, 15 ESV

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**GROW UP!**  
Maturity. Membership. Mission.

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For those whom He foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, in order that He might be the firstborn among many brothers. —Romans 8:29 ESV

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**G**race  
**R**enewal  
**O**bedience  
**W**itness  
**I**njury  
**N**o!  
**G**enerosity

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“The Spirit of God was sent in the world to gather and grow the church of the Lord Jesus Christ.” (Acts 1:8)

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

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<sup>44</sup>And all who believed were together and had all things in common. <sup>45</sup>And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. <sup>46</sup>And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes,

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they received their food with glad and generous hearts, <sup>47</sup>praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved. —Acts 2:41-47 ESV

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Acts 2:44-45

They Gave of Their Things

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<sup>30</sup>Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup>Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup>So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

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<sup>33</sup>But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. <sup>34</sup>He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him.

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<sup>35</sup>And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' <sup>36</sup>Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" —Luke 10:30-36 ESV

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“Greed isolates people, generosity brings them together—and God has commanded us to be generous.” —Josh McDowell

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“Ministry that costs nothing, accomplishes nothing.”  
—J.H. Jowett

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Acts 2:44, 46

They Gave of Themselves

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Acts 2:47

They Gave of Their Testimony

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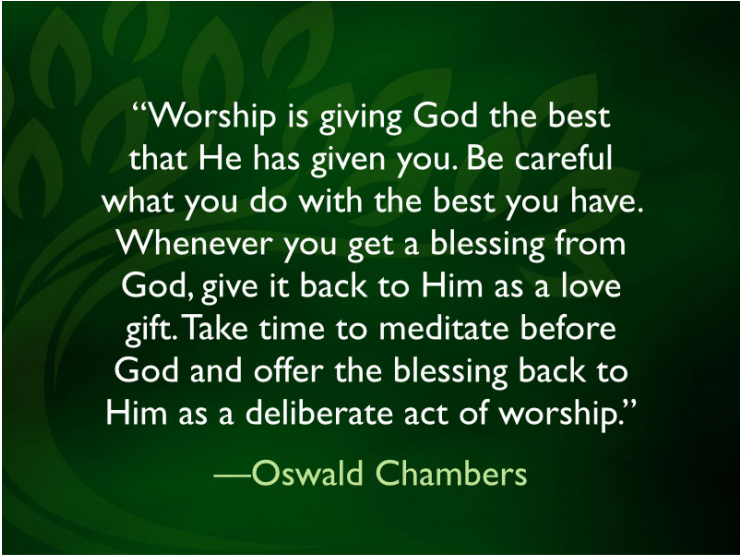
“Most people are keepers of the aquarium, not fishers of men.”  
—Vance Havner

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Acts 2:46-47

They Gave All Their Thanks to God

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“Worship is giving God the best that He has given you. Be careful what you do with the best you have. Whenever you get a blessing from God, give it back to Him as a love gift. Take time to meditate before God and offer the blessing back to Him as a deliberate act of worship.”

—Oswald Chambers

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