Rooted in Community: Don't Do Life Alone Rooted: Standing Strong in an Unstable World! Pt. 5 Acts 2:42–47, Hebrews 10:24–25

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Colossians 2:6, So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, **7** rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

Acts 1:8, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

<u>Acts 2:40</u>, With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them... 41 Those who <u>accepted</u> his message were <u>baptized</u>, and about three thousand were <u>added to their number that day</u>.

Acts 2:42, They <u>devoted</u> themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. 44 All the believers were <u>together</u> and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to <u>give</u> to anyone who had need. 46 Every day they continued to <u>meet together</u> in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate <u>together</u> with glad and sincere hearts, 47 <u>praising God</u> and enjoying the <u>favor of all the people</u>. And the Lord <u>added</u> to their number daily those who were being saved.

<u>Hebrews 10:24,</u> And let us <u>consider</u> how we may <u>spur one</u> another on toward love and good deeds, **25** not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but <u>encouraging one another</u>—and all the more as you see the <u>Day approaching</u>.

10 Words That Describe True Biblical Community:

DEVOTION

Romans 12:10, Be <u>devoted</u> to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

1 Kings 8:61, "And may your hearts be fully committed to the LORD our God, to live by his decrees and obey his commands, as at this time."

TOGETHER

Matthew 18:20, "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

Psalm 133:1, How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

<u>Galatians 6:2</u>, Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

• **GENEROSITY**

<u>Proverbs 11:25,</u> A <u>generous</u> person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.

2 Corinthians 9:6, Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows <u>generously</u> will also reap generously.

Acts 20:35, "In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must <u>help</u> the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to <u>give</u> than to receive.'"

WORSHIP

John 4:24, "God is spirit, and his worshipers must <u>worship</u> in the Spirit and in truth."

<u>**Psalm 95:6,**</u> Come, let us bow down in <u>worship</u>, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

FAVOR

<u>Proverbs 3:4,</u> Then you will win <u>favor</u> and a good name in the sight of God and man.

1 Samuel 2:26, And the boy Samuel continued to grow in stature and in <u>favor</u> with the LORD and with people.

GROWING

Acts 4:4, But many who heard the message believed; so the number of men who believed <u>grew</u> to about five thousand.

Acts 5:14, Nevertheless, more and more men and women believed in the Lord and were <u>added</u> to their number.

Acts 6:1, In those days when the number of disciples was increasing...

Acts 6:7, So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem <u>increased</u> rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith.

Acts 9:31, Then the church throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria enjoyed a time of peace and was strengthened. Living in the fear of the Lord and encouraged by the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers.

Acts 11:21, The Lord's hand was with them, and a great <u>number</u> of people believed and turned to the Lord.

Acts 11:24, He was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and faith, and a great <u>number</u> of people were brought to the Lord.

Acts 12:24, But the word of God continued to <u>spread</u> and flourish.

Acts 13:49, The word of the Lord <u>spread</u> through the whole region.

Acts 14:1, At Iconium Paul and Barnabas went as usual into the Jewish synagogue. There they spoke so effectively that a great <u>number</u> of Jews and Greeks believed.

Acts 16:5, So the churches were strengthened in the faith and grew daily in numbers.

Acts 19:20, In this way the word of the Lord <u>spread</u> widely and <u>grew</u> in power.

SPUR

<u>1 Peter 4:10</u>, Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to <u>serve</u> others, as faithful <u>stewards</u> of God's grace in its various forms.

Romans 12:11, Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, <u>serving</u> the Lord.

Hebrews 13:16, And do not forget to <u>do good</u> and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

MEET

Acts 20:7, On the first day of the week we <u>came together</u> to break bread. Paul spoke to the people and, because he intended to leave the next day, kept on talking until midnight.

Matthew 18:20, "For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

ENCOURAGE

<u>1 Thessalonians 5:11,</u> Therefore <u>encourage</u> one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

Hebrews 3:13, But <u>encourage</u> one another daily, as long as it is called "Today," so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.

EXPECTANT

Psalm 5:3, In the morning, LORD, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait <u>expectantly</u>.

Philippians 1:20, I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death.